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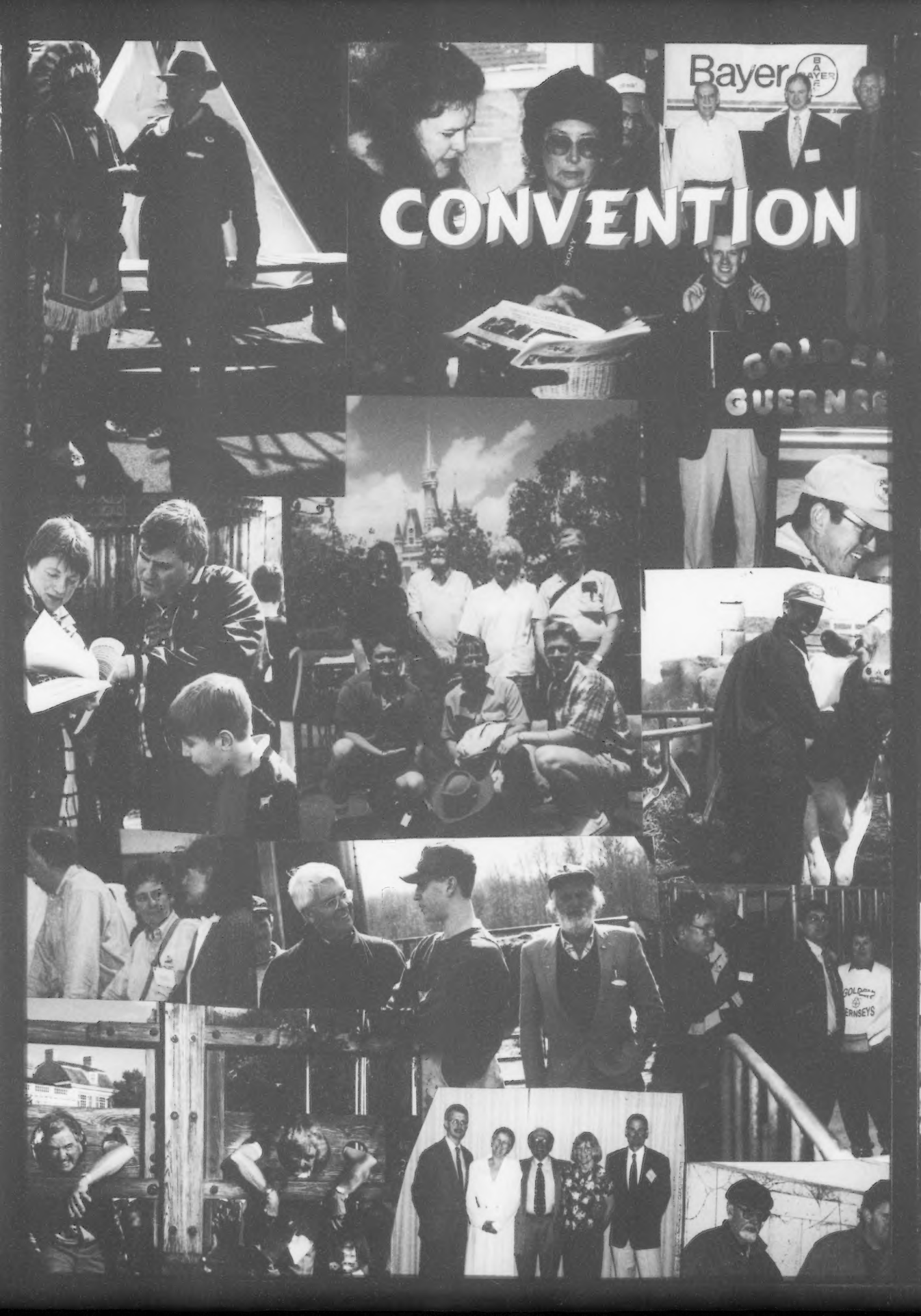
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A Genetic Explosion Sale

It was a Genetic Explosion Sale of frozen embryos and semen shares out of some of the hottest cow families in the breed and sired by the likes of Enhancer, Perfecto, Velour, Lorry and Goliath. This sale provided buyers with the opportunity to expand the genetics in their herds.

The Genetic Explosion Sale was held on March 29, 1998, following the National Youth Banquet during the World Guernsey Conference/American Guernsey Association Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Two bull syndicates and seven embryo lots were sold with an average of $3,547.

Trotacre Enhancer Lewis-ET topped the sale at $9,000. "Lewis" was purchased by the Lewis Syndicate and will be marketed through Select Sires. "Lewis" is a Sherma Victory Ellas Enhancer son with PA totals of +2,143M +81F +60P; PTAT +2.7; PTI +410. His dam is a Very Good-84 Nells Glow Admiral Magic daughter who is number three on the February 1998 high CPI list. She has a national class leading record of 32,560M* 1,342F* 1,034P* at 2-05 in 365 days. Her maternal sister is Very Good-86 with national class leading records and is currently number one on the February 1998 high CPI list. "Lewis's" grandam is an Excellent-91 former number one high CPI cow with records to 30,889M* 1,195F* 981P* at 3-07 in 365 days. "Lewis" currently has four direct family members on the active A.I. list, Lord, Lorry, Loral and Logic. "Lewis" was consigned by Trotacre Farm of Enon Valley, Pennsylvania.

The Romeo Syndicate purchased Ripley Farms Velour Romeo for $8,000. This Longmedo Pender Velour-ET son has PA totals of +2,085M +50F +57P; PTAT +3.1; PTI +374. His dam is a Very Good-87 Lily Lane Penny Perfecto-ET daughter with records to 24,670M 1,024F 823P at 2-01 in 365 days. The grandam is a Very Good-85 Spring Walk BT Frank daughter with records to 22,520M 994F 701P at 5-03 in 365 days. "Romeo" was consigned by Roland Ripley of Cortland, New York.

The high-selling embryo lot was four number one embryos sired by Trotacre Mercury Lorry-ET and out of Laeschland Perfect Bliss-ET. "Bliss" is the number one Lily Lane Penny Perfecto-ET daughter in the breed. She is Excellent-90 and is number 18 on the February 1998 high CPI list with national class leading records to 31,020M* 1,352F* 1,085P* at 2-07 in 365 days. The grandam is the Excellent-94 Laeschland TS Biddy. "Biddy" is a gold star cow with lifetime totals of 167,220M 8,262F 6,703P in 3,178 days. These embryos were purchased by Herby D. Lutz of Chester, South Carolina, for $2,700 and were consigned by Mark Erdman, Roy Wilson, Bob Griggs, Melinda Rushing and Lavon Farms of Chenoa, Illinois.

Consignments selling for $2,000 and above:

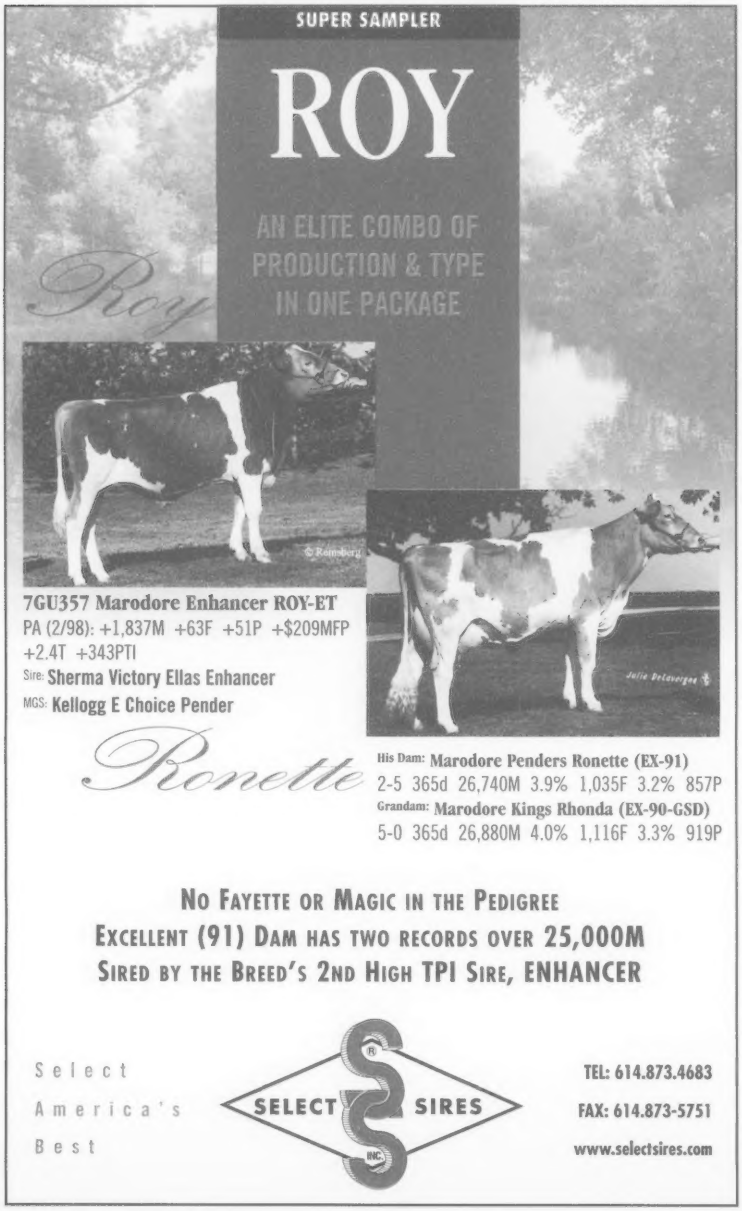
Rozelyn Farm & Pat Mar Ranch, Lynden, WA
Two #1 Eby Manor Claude Winona $2,625
S: Rozelyn Pat Mar P Goliath-ET
Three #1 Eby Manor Captain Wayward
S: Olympic View F Billboard-ET

Terry Beckett, Ontario, Canada
4 #1 Embryos Westlynn Tom Dee ... $2,400
S: Four Winds Magicman-ET

Dennis Nelson, Hilmar, CA
Choice of two heifers
from Beaver Creek Kandy $2,400
S: Sherma Victory Ellas Enhancer

K.A. Forster, Ontario, Canada
Jensgolden Mercury
Oriann-ET choice $2,000
S: Futuristic Frank Sentry-ET

The AGA would like to welcome the following new senior members:
Kenlee Calvin, Mount Vernon, MO
Troy Hill, Sandy Lake, PA
Rachel Moss, Iowa City, IA
Amy Poth, Pickerington, OH



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Guernsey Youth Saluted

Young dairy enthusiasts from around the nation gathered on March 29, 1998, at the National Guernsey Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, to celebrate their outstanding accomplishments. Pictured above are the 1998 Junior Gold Star Breeders: (l to r) Jonathan McMurray, Krista Richardson, R. Tony Fulton, III, Seth Kohler, Katie Dixon and Brett Dixon.

Sale Topper at $10,400

Four Winds Fayette Dee-ET was the high-selling female of the sale for $10,400. Pictured (l to r): Seth Johnson, Guernsey Marketing Service; Jim Trotter, PA GBA Business Manager; Lois Peckman, Buyer; David Smith, Pedigree Reader; Gary Estes, Auctioneer; "Dee"; Aaron Lancaster, Consignor, Kenny Davers; Joy and Clark Vilter, Contenders.

World Leaders

World Guernsey Cattle Federation Directors. Bottom row (l to r): Peter Hocart, Artur Pinho, Moira Crookes, E. Cline Brubaker, Jim Lichtwark, Stewart Dumesny and Chris Watson. Top row (l to r): Neil Jensen, Dr. John Mozier, Michael Eddy, Walter Brehaut, Michael Dowler, Jim Eby, Peter Marwood, John Morrow, Alan Black, Warren Gibson and Bill Luff.

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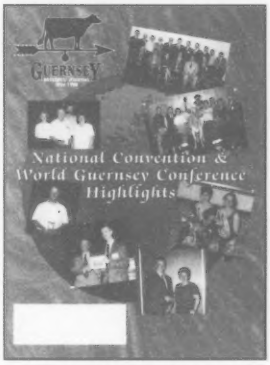

Guernsey Enthusiasts From Around The World Celebrate

Guernsey enthusiasts from around the world gathered together during the 9th World Guernsey Conference held in conjunction with the American Guernsey Assocation National Convention. This month's cover highlights some of the award winners and activities from the conference.

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Golden Focus

Neil Jensen, Executive Secretary-Treasurer

American Guernsey Association Executive Secretary-Treasurer Neil Jensen gave the following report at the 121st annual meeting of the American Guernsey Association.

Mr. President, board members, Guernsey friends and guests, I welcome you to the 121st annual meeting of the American Guernsey Association. It is gratifying to look out over the crowds at events the last few days and see the intermingling of U.S. breeders and our foreign guests. This is the second time our annual meeting has been held in Louisville, Kentucky. I want to thank all of the Kentucky breeders for your hospitality and the extra effort needed to put on a convention of this magnitude.

My message to you today is very much the same message I shared in our country reports on Friday, March 27, "Change Can Be Good". So often, I hear from an individual or organization that it is so hard to survive in today's economy. Milk prices are too low, they want too much for a tractor, or hired help is asking for too much money and benefits. Maybe you need to accept that your business needs to make a change. Making changes has to be more enjoyable and positive when you make a decision rather than letting something else dictate your change. The American Guernsey Association Board of Directors and AGA staff have made changes to your association that we feel position us to be a viable organization with a positive future.

I want to summarize in a capsule what happened with us in 1997. We formed a publishing subsidiary, continued development of a niche market for our milk, conducted valuable research on Guernsey milk, increased the number of consignment sales, increased advertising in the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal* and experienced solid participation in the Total Performance Evaluation (TPE) Program. Challenges before us include a negative cash flow, decreasing registrations and fewer cows on official mating, especially those who own potential bull mothers or other animals of influence in the breed. Young sire groups and A.I. organizations have made extra effort to bring in young sires out of more service sires and new cow families. We have seen improvement as the number of service sires of young sires have doubled the past two years compared to three years ago.

At this conference, we are being presented with an even more challenging breeding plan. The World Guernsey Cattle Federation Steering Committee has recommended an aggressive world-wide young sire sampling scheme. I look forward to seeing the World Guernsey Cattle Federation Steering Committee's plan in the near future. I feel Guernsey breeders need to be more aggressive in selection of young sires. Who should do this? Should our current young sire groups consider such a scheme, or should they combine to spread the risk between them? My recommendation is to form a commercially-minded young sire group that wants to take on aggressive young sire sampling programs in addition to current young sire groups. Goals should include sampling bulls whose grandsires have not received a proof and introduce new cow families as bull mothers. The risk should be spread amongst young sires rather than sampling many from one sire. We need to act, and now is the time to get started.

Besides implementing an aggressive young sire breeding plan, we need to keep a positive image of our organization and of our farms. Clean, neat and successful farm sites or offices will promote a good feeling to you, your employees or members and to others.

Another item that will help our image is sharing positive stories about your farm and Guernsey cows. It was so refreshing to hear Jim Eby's comments in his country report on his herd's profit ranking that places his herd at approximately 18 amongst 250 herds in his area of Ontario. Positive profit-making information can give our members a tool to use to promote our cow. Share this information with your neighbor and national association to use in promotions. A resource that we need to utilize is the Guernsey breeders. Our volunteer committees are

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The 121st Annual Meeting of The American Guernsey Association

President John B. Morrow of Tyrone, Pennsylvania, called the 121st meeting of the American Guernsey Association to order at 8:00 a.m. on March 30, 1998, in Louisville, Kentucky. John Ayars of Mechanicsburg, Ohio, gave the invocation. Patty Holbert represented the Kentucky Guernsey breeders by welcoming everyone to Kentucky and the annual meeting.

Call to the Annual Meeting

American Guernsey Association Executive Secretary-Treasurer Neil Jensen presented the Call to the Annual Meeting which was mailed to the active membership, as well as printed in the February *Guernsey Breeders' Journal*. A motion to suspend the reading of the Call to the Annual Meeting passed.

Introduction of Proxy Committee

President Morrow introduced the Proxy Committee, which consisted of Chairman Eldon Moss, Iowa City, Iowa; Ed Watson, Hemlock, Michigan; and Linda Madsen, Temecula, California. The Proxy Committee reported that they received 88 proxies. Of these proxies, 85 were given to the Proxy Committee and three were given to members other than the Proxy Committee. There was one non-valid proxy received. Morrow also reminded the membership that those present in person or by proxy constitute a quorum.

Reading of the Minutes

Neil Jensen came forward for the reading of the minutes of the 120th annual meeting in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. Jensen reminded the membership that these minutes were printed in the August 1997 *Guernsey Breeders' Journal*. A motion was passed to suspend the reading of the minutes and to accept them as printed in the August 1997 *Guernsey Breeders' Journal*.

Deceased Members

A list of deceased members and friends of the American Guernsey Association was read by Neil Jensen. They included: Ed Beetchenow, Sultan, WA; Martin Boon, Oak Harbor, WA; Royal Clausing, Jackson, WI; Donald Cutler, WI; Lucille Cutler, WI; Joseph Damon, Mount Vernon, WA; Arthur Edblom, Unity, WI; Andrew Feldmann, Farley, IA; Clayton Hansen, New Lisbon, WI; William Graf, Epworth, IA; Delwin Hintz, Neosha, WI; Mrs. Clarence Hintz, Neosha, WI; Vera Johnson, Terril, IA; Victor Klaustermeir, Lester Prairie, MN; Mary Kohler, Canal Winchester, OH; John Hull Sr, Westminster, MD; Jack Leidigh, Jeromesville, OH; Deloras Mann, Silverton, OR; Danny Morgan, Malone, WI; Warren Queripel, Pipersville, PA; Roe Stub Schutis, WI; Gordon Shortsleeve, West Newfield, ME; Hermon Siedschlag Sr, Manitowoc, WI; Gordon Sivesand, Waukon, IA; Roy William Staehely, Oregon City, OR; Harry Stoudemire, Franklin, NC; Elsworth Sweno, Blair, WI; Wilbur Tomlinson Jr., Revenna, OH; George Zamzow, Portage, WI; Phyllis Hershberger, OK; Bert Schwinghamer, Albany, MN; Merritt Tooley, Granville, NY; Johnny Walker, MO, Lawrence Colebank, Knoxville, TN; and Max Dawdy, Peterborough, NH.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of these departed Guernsey friends.

Introductions

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Neil Jensen introduced the staff members, board members and board candidates running for election. President Morrow also introduced special guests and media representatives who were in attendance.

John B. Morrow

President's Report

American Guernsey Association President John B. Morrow of Tyrone, Pennsylvania, gave the following address to the membership. On behalf of the American Guernsey Association, we welcome our Guernsey friends from around the world to our 121st annual business meeting. It has been a very enjoyable, if somewhat hectic, experience to meet in conjunction with the 9th World Guernsey Conference. The Guernsey cow is the common bond of many new and renewed friendships and memories.

The board and AGA thank the members of the convention committee, the Kentucky GBA, and others who have worked very hard to make this meeting a success. Congratulations on a very fine meeting.

The mission of the AGA is to provide and promote programs and services to enhance the value and profitability of the Guernsey breed. The board and staff have worked very hard to fulfill that mission. During the past year, we have had several priorities.

Purebred Publishing, was established to capitalize on strength and quality of our *Guernsey Breeders' Journal* and its staff. The goal was to provide an additional source of income to the association while increasing cooperation among several breed associations. It has proven thus far to be a very expensive undertaking. The board has and continues to scrutinize it's finances and operation very closely. It is our intent to make it succeed.

Enhancing the value of Golden Guernsey milk is our highest priority. We have listened to the report of Dr. Lance Phillips with much enthusiasm and hope. We have taken an important step. More needs to be done so that we may receive full value for our product.

The Guernsey Foundation has funded this research on Guernsey milk. We owe a debt of gratitude to the foundation and the contributors who have made this possible. We encourage those who can give generously to the foundation. Much more needs to be done.

In December, the board was very surprised to learn that Neil Jensen was resigning as executive-secretary. It was with great reluctance that the board accepted his resignation. We would have liked to announce a successor at this meeting, but that is not possible. We expect to make an announcement soon.

During this past week, we have heard much about breeding strategies, farming strategies, etc., all very important to our future. But there is something that I have heard our Guernsey friends from around the world talking about that can have an immediate effect on our dairy farms: stockmanship. Stockmanship is a term we seldom hear in the American dairy business. It is the art and craft of being a dairyman. It can't be bought, only practiced. Our cows will thank us for it.

In closing, I want to thank my fellow board members for all the time and thought that they have given to their duties as AGA directors. To the AGA and Purebred Publishing staff, we say thank you for all your efforts on our behalf.

Promotion and Information Committee Report

Promotion and Information Committee Chairperson Linda Madsen of Temecula, California, gave the following report to the membership.

Good morning. The Promotion and Information Committee consists of Dave

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Linda Madsen

Cochard, Eldon Moss and John Morrow. Our committee focuses on information and promotion of Guernsey cattle and covers youth, showing, young sires and the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal*.

The Youth Committee met and continues to dedicate their program to being self-funded. Fund raisers, such as the youth auction and the calf raffle, were discussed. Hard work and dedication make these fund raisers successful. This was evident last night at the youth banquet.

The Show Committee presented a new Youth Lease Agreement Program, which will give a youth who doesn't own a Guernsey the opportunity to lease a Guernsey heifer and be able to compete at the national junior Guernsey shows.

Also presented and approved was a new mandatory milk-out schedule for at least the first three place animals in each milking class at the National Guernsey Show in Louisville, Kentucky.

A list of judges was presented for approval to provide the Guernsey breed with qualified Guernsey judges and to encourage uniformity at Guernsey shows.

It was requested that the young sire awards be renamed the Max Dawdy Young Sire Award in honor of Max Dawdy.

The *Guernsey Breeders' Journal* is doing very well . By now, all of you have seen the March issue, and we commend the Purebred Publishing staff. Our internet site continues to be successful with over 1,000 hits during the month of January.

Marketing Committee Report

Marketing Committee Chairman John O. Mozier of Stanley, Kansas, gave the following report to the membership.

Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, I am pleased to report the activities of the Marketing Committee and the board actions since our last national convention. Members of this committee are John Mozier, Chairman, David Cochard, Peter Coon, Ed Watson and Clark Vilter.

Guernsey Marketing Service (GMS): Since our annual meeting last June, Guernsey Marketing Service managed two sales, the 1997 National Convention Sale and the International Guernsey Classic held in conjunction with World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin. GMS also co-managed the J Mar Nell Dispersal in cooperation with the Missouri Guernsey Breeders' Association. In all three sales, the average sale price per animal was higher than had been projected. In addition, GMS also assisted in the Myrtledale Dispersal in South Carolina.

In board actions, it was decided to drop the three percent donation to the youth fund from the 1998 Kentucky National and World Guernsey Sale (convention sale) because of the favorable status of the youth fund. Instead, it was decided to increase the donation to the promotion fund from one percent to two percent effective with the 1998 National Convention Sale. The board also directed that all future convention sales must include GMS as co-managers or managers.

The AGA staff was also directed to pursue a consignment sale in southwest Missouri in cooperation with the Missouri Guernsey Breeders' Association if the Oklahoma Guernsey breeders did not have a spring sale and no other major dispersals were

Dr. John Mozier

scheduled. (Subsequently, the Oklahoma GBA decided not to have a 1998 sale, and the Missouri GBA voted to have a sale co-managed by GMS. This sale, which has been called The First Ozark Jubilee Sale, will be held in Branson, Missouri, on May 16, 1998.)

Golden Guernsey Committee Report

This committee consists of Laurie Askew, David Cochard, Peter Coon, Todd Moore, Melissa Morrow, Don Peterson, Lee Riggs, Steve Zalar and John Mozier. At the December board meetings, it was decided to divide the committee into two sub-committees due to the scope of activities. David Cochard was appointed to chair the promotion sub-committee and John Mozier, the research and development sub-committee.

During the past year, a Golden Guernsey brochure was produced to provide to potential producers/processors for Golden Guernsey products. A copy of this brochure may be found in the March 1998 issue of the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal*. Work has also been conducted on a prototype container for Golden Guernsey milk to differentiate it from other milk products.

The results of three studies commissioned by the committee and funded by the Guernsey Foundation have been received from Dr. Lance Phillips. These studies showed that in a blinded study, a panel of tasters could not distinguish the difference in taste between Guernsey and predominately Holstein milk when the milk had been standardized to either two percent or skim milk. However, significant differences were found in the foaming properties of Guernsey skim milk and Holstein skim milk and in whey produced from Guernsey milk and Holstein milk. Guernsey skim milk and Guernsey whey foamed tremendously while Holstein skim milk and Holstein whey foamed very little or not at all. This was an unexpected and significant finding. You may ask, "Why is this important"? The answer is that this characteristic of Guernsey milk provides possibilities for Guernsey milk to be used in many products which require whipping or air incorporation properties, such as in the baking industry and in other food products which require these qualities but for which there are presently no dairy products available that perform in this manner.

Additional work is needed to obtain sufficient quantity of a variety of Guernsey products, with potential foaming properties, to provide manufacturers and users for testing in their respective products. This phase of our continuing research will be completed in the next few months.

During the past year, several contacts have been made with milk processors and with users of milk products. There is definite interest in Golden Guernsey!

Our committee is excited about the future for Guernsey milk and milk products. I believe we are on the right track. We just have to keep exploring the opportunities.

Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of the Marketing and Golden Guernsey Inc. reports.

Records Committee

Clark Vilter of Hartland, Wisconsin, gave the following report.

The committee members are Linda Madsen, John Mozier, Seth Spencer, Ed Watson and myself. In 1997, we saw a little of a decline. We had 6,402 registrations and 2,697 transfers. Appraisers scored 6,154 cows. There were 209 herds on TPE for a total of 8,039 cows.

The committee approved nine new annual memberships and 13 new lifetime members. This brings us to a total of 39 new members for 1997. I would encourage everyone who knows someone who is not a member of our association to get them signed up.

Other actions from the committee included a change concerning prefixes. If a prefix has not been used for 15 years and the holder of that prefix cannot be reached, the prefix may be assigned to a new breeder if it is requested.

The committee decided to research the affects of not changing to the new

Clark Vilter

animal I.D. system because of the cost involved. If no adverse effects will be realized, the AGA will continue with our current identification system.

A new animal model was introduced in February of 1998.The committee believes that this is a better system; however, it is still being fine-tuned.

New discounts were approved for TPE herds. At the time of classification application, you will be able to order a new pedigree on your animals. The cost will be $3.00 a pedigree for orders of 10 or under, or $2.00 a pedigree for orders of 11 or over.

There is also a new program for registrations in the form of a rebate. If a breeder registers over 35 animals, they will receive a rebate of $2.00 per registration beginning with registration number 36. The rebate will be applied to accounts on the first of January.

Mr. President, I move for the adoption of the Records Committee report.

Peter Coon

Finance Committee

Peter Coon of Amenia, New York, gave the following report to the membership.

Good morning. The Finance Committee consists of myself, Eldon Moss, Seth Spencer and John Morrow. Please turn to the handout of the American Guernsey Association Financial Statements. I would just like to point out a few things on the financial statement, among the obvious in 1996. At the end of the year, we had $530,861 in net assets. At the end of 1997, that figure is down to $397,368 for a net loss of $109,979. You will notice on the accounts receivable an increase of over $35,000. Most of this is due to an increase in activities in Purebred Publishing and on past due accounts. Liabilities held steady. You will notice a slight drop in restricted funds. This is due to transfer of the Wigman account back to the state of Michigan.

Under revenues, herd registry, performance programs and appraisal are the main state of our income. In a continuing trend over the previous years, it dropped over $19,000 this past year. We did see an increase in *Guernsey Breeders' Journal* income. Under expenses, salaries greatly increased due to the adding of staff for Purebred Publishing.

As you know, in 1997, Purebred Publishing, a for-profit subsidiary of the American Guernsey Association, was formed. As with any new business, start-up costs have been significant. Finding and training the right personnel, salaries and expenses of four publications and a 30 to 60 day lifetime in receivables have made cash flow impossible. The AGA advanced $86,420 in the form of a loan to Purebred Publishing to help cover these costs. This is a large share of the 1997 decrease in net assets.

In 1998, we have budgeted a positive cash flow for the year with a net loss of $13,000. The board of directors is committed to making the American Guernsey Association a financially sound organization with the resources to promote and improve the Guernsey breed. Thank you.

Mr. President, I move the adoption of the Finance Committee report.

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Joining The World With Genetics

OCS Dairy Princess Di, a "Fayette" daughter of OCS Dairy Daisys Diadora, EX-94, was purchased in the Kentucky National/World Guernsey Conference Sale by Gilbert and Audrey Cleggett and Warren Gibson of South Australia.

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"Di's" maternal sister OCS Dairy Dias Perfect Opal-ET, VG-86, just had a Spring Walk Karis Trumpet son on April 3, 1998, and looks great!

OCS Dairy would like to thank all the international guests that visited our farm during the pre-conference tour. We enjoyed showing you our cattle and visiting with you about your herds and dairy operations. A special thank you goes out to the Kentucky breeders for hosting a great national convention.

Visitors Welcome

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Dan Brubaker

Guernsey Foundation Report

Guernsey Foundation officer, Dan Brubaker of Harrisonburg, Virginia, gave the following report to the membership.

It is my pleasure to give the Guernsey Foundation report at the annual meeting of the American Guernsey Association this morning. The committee consists of chairman Myron Erdman, Ernest Berousek and myself. This committee serves voluntarily without any reimbursements for our expenses. Our net assets at the beginning of 1997 were $329,050. Our net assets at the end of the year of 1997 were $330,489.This is an increase in net assets of $1,439. Our revenues for 1997: our investment income was $18,285, contributions consist of $2,535, total revenues for 1997 were $20,820. Expenditures for projects and grants were $11,997. The majority of that money was for the research project that Dr. Mozier reported on earlier this morning. Our general and administrative expenses were $7,425.

A little breakdown on our general and administrative expenses. We pay the American Guernsey Association for their administrative fees $4,200, advertising fees for the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal* $2,095 and the state of Ohio taxes and fees $100.

The project grants as I stated are $11,997. A few minor expenses that we occurred, like random appraisal and the young dairy leaders conference, added to the rest of our expenses. We also did a sub-fund for the completion of the functional herdlife study.

For next year, 1998, the committee has approved further studies with Dr. Phillips. As Dr. Mozier indicated, further studies are needed to provide additional evidence of the superior performance of Guernsey milk and milk products following application. We approved up to $12,000 for this project. We will fund up to $2,500 for the publishing of the Guernsey handbook, which is ready to come off the press. We will be requesting from the University of Missouri, since they obtain a Guernsey herd and we haven't had a purpose for a specific project from them, for them to prepare a research project on Guernsey grazing and/or Guernsey heat-stress related ideas. This concludes my report. Thank you.

Purebred Publishing, Inc.

The following report was given to the membership by Becky Payne, general manager of Purebred Publishing, Inc.

Good morning ladies and gentlemen. It is my pleasure to present the Purebred Publishing report.

It hasn't been a year yet since I gave my first report to the membership of the formation on Purebred Publishing, Inc. As you are aware from the previous reports today, it has been a challenging year for us and much more difficult than we originally envisioned.

At the time your board formed Purebred Publishing, it was done because the alternatives were very bleak. At the rate we were going, we would have had to reduce staff further and cut the *Journal* down to six times per year. Our choices were to complain or to do something about it. At this time, we are publishing the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal*, *Ayrshire Digest*, and *Brown Swiss Bulletin*.

We are continually doing things to be more efficient while not reducing the quality of our publications. At this critical stage in development of this new company, your board and staff are monitoring every step very closely.

We are considering new possibilities such as publishing a common section of pages in the breed magazines to make our process more economical. We are also trying to become more diversified to further increase

We Could Not Have Done It Without You!

We would like to thank all who helped make the pre-conference tour stop at Snider Homestead Farm a success!

Thank You:

Bob Smith, Beth Clark, Kevin and Dina Stoltzfus, Sherrill and Sam Wylie, Scott and Elsie Wolff, Pennsylvania GBA, Judy Black and the Snider Homestead Crew — Jan, Aaron, Kristi, Kendy, Beth, Betty, Tweet, Bill and Cathy.

A very special thank you goes out to all the World Guernsey visitors for making this an experience we will never forget.

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Thank You All So Much For Making This Last Year One I Will Never Forget!

My reign as the 1997 National Guernsey Queen was a marvelous journey I will never forget. Thank you to my parents who traveled with me throughout the year and everyone for their support and encouragement!

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our profit potential. Whatever our approaches are, they will be aggressive and progressive to get the job done.

We have had key people in our industry inform us that our progress is on line. If we were to go out and buy a company with the potential as great as Purebred Publishing, it would be a very expensive task. We encourage feedback from the membership on our progress and sincerely request that all interested parties call the office from time to time to get updates.

The AGA has made a considerable investment thus far in Purebred Publishing, and you have a firm commitment from the staff of this organization to make it a success. Thank you.

Mr. President, I move for the adoption of this report.

Introduction of Election Committee

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Neil Jensen introduced the board nominees and Doug Sims of Clinton, South Carolina, the chairman of the committee. Other committee members included Donna Anderson, Minnesota, and Billy Long of Tennessee.

Report on Voting

Election Committee Chairman Doug Sims reported the vote tallies for the Election Committee. The director of District One for a four-year term is Peter Coon of Amenia, New York. The director of District Four for a four-year term is Clark Vilter of Hartland, Wisconsin.

Resolutions Committee Report

Resolutions Committee Chair Richard Schomburg of West Salem, Wisconsin, reported the following resolutions to the membership.

Resolution I

Whereas, the members of the Kentucky Guernsey Breeders' Association have done an outstanding job hosting the 121st Annual Meeting and convention; whereas, the Kentucky Guernsey Breeders have also incorporated the World Guernsey Conference into the convention activities; and whereas, they have been most gracious and hospitable hosts during the convention; therefore, be it resolved that the membership of the American Guernsey Association extends their thanks and appreciation to our hosts for the excellent accommodations, their organization of events and their great fellowship.

Resolution II

Whereas, the USDA genetic evaluations were formerly compiled twice per year but are now issued four times per year; whereas, we as dairy farmers see no value in four evaluations per year; and whereas, the dairy farmer ultimately pays for this information; therefore, be it resolved that

Richard Schomburg

we recommend that proofs be returned to two per year.

Resolution III

Whereas, the staff of the AGA have functioned in a professional manner and have served the Guernsey breeders to the best of their ability; therefore, be it resolved that we challenge and encourage the staff to continue working with the board of directors and breeders for the future success of the American Guernsey Association.

Resolution IV

Whereas, members of the board of directors of the AGA have taken their time away from their home farms and businesses to serve the interests and concerns of all Guernsey breeders; therefore, be it resolved that we thank them with appreciation.

Resolution V

Whereas, the members of the Golden Guernsey Committee are working to in-

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Thank You Doug!

Doug Sims

1998 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer

We at Thornwell Home and School for Children would like to say a public thank you to Doug Sims for all his contributions to the Thornwell team. We are proud of Doug and would like to congratulate him on all his achievements.

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A Great Convention And Sale

We would like to thank the Kentucky breeders for hosting it. As well as the Wisconsin breeders for your support in re-electing Clark to the national board.

Very special thanks to:

- **Ripley Farms for purchasing Enhancer Desire.**
- **Terry Beckett for purchasing "Tom Dee's" Magicman embryos.**
- **Aaron Lancaster for developing Fayette Dee & Mervin Peckman for purchasing her.**

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crease marketing opportunities for Guernsey milk and the profitability of the Guernsey cow; therefore, be it resolved that the AGA support their actions through financial and staff assistance.

Resolution VI

Whereas, the board of directors recognizes that Johnes is a challenge to the dairy industry; therefore, be it resolved that the members of the AGA take steps to educate themselves about Johnes prevention and take steps to prevent the spread of Johnes.

Resolution VII

Whereas, Neil Jensen has given many years of outstanding and selfless service as executive-secretary of the American Guernsey Association, and whereas, Neil has not only performed his duties for the AGA but also has given his leadership to the World Guernsey Cattle Federation; therefore, be it resolved that the members of the AGA wish Neil and Janice Jensen best wishes and thank them for a job well done.

Morris Speaks At Annual Meeting

Tom Morris of Wisconsin, a world reknown cattle auctioneer, spoke at the annual meeting of the American Guernsey Assocation . Tom's speech was thought-provoking and a great insight to the members of the association. The association would like to thank Tom for taking the time from his schedule to speak with us.

Doug Sims, 1998 Outstanding Youth Farmer

Outstanding Young Farmer

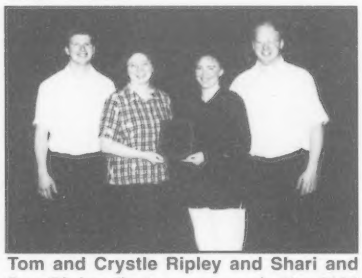
The winner of the Outstanding Young Farmer Award and recipient of the Eugene Harding Memorial Watch is Doug Sims of Clinton, South Carolina. Doug is the director of farms and grounds at the Thornwell Home and School for Children and Lush Acres Dairy. Doug is a member of the South Carolina Guernsey Breeders' Association and was the 1991 Outstanding Dairy Herdsman in South Carolina. Doug has also bred three All-American nominees. Within the American Guernsey Association circles, Doug serves on the Youth Committee and the Election Committee.

Doug's love for the Guernsey cow developed from his grandfather, F.B. Poteat who operated Springfield Dairy in Jonesborough, Tennessee. After graduation from the University of Tennessee, Doug and his wife Melanie moved to Thornwell Home in Clinton, South Carolina.

The dairy farm was established not only to provide milk and milk products for the home, but for the children to have the opportunity to work around animals and learn the responsibilities associated with livestock care. Many of the children at the home originate from broken and dysfunctional homes. Sims believes that the kind and gentle Guernseys are perfectly suited for their roles in the lives of these young children. Sims also says, "Working with the cows is a therapy for the children."

The Thornwell Home and Lush Acres Dairy exists for the benefit of the children. Much of Doug's time is devoted to the 20 to 30 children ages 12-17 who reside on the 430 acre campus. As director of farm and grounds, Doug oversees the maintenance of the 80 acres that encompasses the trees, turf grass, home area, playground and athletic fields. The farmland consists of 20 acres of alfalfa, 50 acres of corn, 50 acres of sorghum and the rest is a mix of bermuda and fescue for hay.

One of Doug's goals is to improve the Guernsey herd each year. The goal set three years ago for a rolling herd average of 15,000 pounds is near at hand at 13,875. The top cows are involved in embryo transfer programs and young sire programs. Doug likes to purchase around five to eight high-quality heifers and cows to broaden the genetic base of the herd. Doug states, "Hopefully through my work at Thornwell, I am encouraging a supportive outlook on agriculture, farming and Guernsey cattle to future farmers."



Tom and Crystle Ripley and Shari and Dan Ripley, first runners-up in the 1998 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer Contest.

Thomas and Daniel Ripley of Cortland, New York, were honored as first runner-up for the Outstanding Young Farmer Award. Life with Guernseys began for these two brothers at ages four and five as calf feeders. Tom and Dan are now equal one-third partners at Ripley Farms with their father, Roland. The partnership began in 1985 with a 60 cow tie-stall barn. In 1987, another barn was purchased as Ripley Farms grew to 140 cows. The herd received a major shock in 1990 when it was hit with Johnes', resulting in the loss of most of the herd and the extinction of many cow families. With the help of Cornell, programs were set in place to reduce the spread of the disease. A separate calf barn was built to move the calves away from the cow barn. In 1993, the Ripleys built a 300 cow free-stall barn and parlor. Tom and Dan helped design and build the new barns, and by doing the work themselves, they saved over $200,000 in labor costs and design.

In the breeding program, Tom and Dan use bulls selected from the top 20 PTI sires. They are very supportive of the young sire programs. Their best females are enrolled in embryo transfer programs. They carefully study milk records. Their goal is to produce a cow that is profitable in any herd and is as trouble-free as possible.

Tom and Dan both were active in the American Guernsey Association Youth Programs growing up. Tom received the National Outstanding Guernsey Youth Award in 1988. In 1987, Dan was awarded with a National Junior Gold Star Breeder Award and was a National Outstanding Guernsey Youth Finalist in 1990.

Tom and Dan's goals for Ripley Farms today include increasing the rolling herd average by 500 to 700 pounds per year. The current rolling herd average is 16,500 pounds of milk. They would like to average 10 to 20 cows on the high CPI list, increase the herd numbers to 170 or more, produce top-quality bulls and market milk and ice cream under the Golden Guernsey name.

Master Breeder Award

Arnold Kessler of Galt, California, was honored at the American Guernsey Association's Annual Meeting as the 1998 Master Breeder. The following was written by Laurie Askew, presenter of the award.

Arnold Kessler is a man worthy of the designation, AGA Master Breeder. The following synopsis of his life, built around the Guernsey cow, will show this to be true, beyond a shadow of a doubt.

Arnold was born in 1925, in Gossau, Switzerland, the second oldest of four sons and one daughter. Arnold was the first of his family to come to America. He was headed toward California, where his Uncle John Schmid was dairying in the bay area.

Arnold began his Guernsey career working for Walter Zeigler in Santa Clara, California. Mr. Zeigler was also a Swiss native and helped Arnold to learn his way around. Here began Arnold's love for the Guernsey cow. In 1952, Arnold married his "Sunshine" - a Swiss girl named Elizabeth. Together, they purchased animals in the Bay Meadow dispersal, and went into partnership with Arnold's Uncle John

1998 Master Breeder with his family. From left to right are Laura Kessler, Arnold Kessler, John Kessler and his wife Betty. Absent is son Walt.

Schmid, of Bay Meadow Farms. Thus began Arnold's dream of owning his own business and breeding superior Guernsey cows. Great foundation cows purchased in the Bay Meadow dispersal were Daisy, Olga, Sale and Chloe. Also purchased in this decade was Happyholme Highgirl, a daughter of Arrus Highgirl, an outstanding cow of the day. Arnold made yet another progressive purchase in the late '50s with Burgers Place Billy.

Arnold developed this young bull into the premier Guernsey bull of the '60s. "Billy" had over 6,000 daughters on his proof- the highest ever, at that time. "Billy" was the bull of choice for Arnold and many other Guernsey breeders, as he brought strong front ends, wide muzzles, open rib and a tremendous desire to live and produce Golden Guernsey milk to the Guernsey breed. Arnold, with his ability to look at a young animal and see just how it would develop, bred some fantastic, profitable cows and some outstanding, progressive bulls.

"Highgirl" was bred to "Billy" and thus began the legacy of the "H" family at Bay Meadow. From this family came many outstanding individuals, including two All-American females, an All-American Best Three, and top bulls, including Bay Meadow Hornet's Howard, the number one bull in Canada in the early '80s. A dam-daughter pair from this family, Hornet's Honeydew and Wistar Honeymaid, both scored 93 points. Wistar Honeymaid was chosen the top dairy cow in the state of California when she was named Supreme Champion of the California State Fair. Dukes Honeymaid is the cow most admired by Arnold for her strength and capacity. As you can see, the "H" family has brought very deserving honors home to Bay Meadow.

From the mating of "Sal" to "Billy" came "Sunny", who was sold to Lone Palm Farm and was very successful in the showring and the milk pail! "Sunny" is the dam of Bay Meadow Sunny Darimost, purchased and proven by ABS. Other descendants of this family are Bay Meadow Elite Steadfast, a son who brought size and scale of frame to Bay Meadow bloodlines.

The "Daisy" family produced for Arnold also. Billy Daisy made over 20,000 pounds of milk. Her daughter, Jolly Daisy, was a complete package of milk and type. Jolly Daisy was shown at the National Guernsey Show in Memphis, Tennessee, where she stood second to the "Ruth" cow. McDonald Properties added Jolly Daisy to their stable of great cows when they purchased her for $6,600 in the Green Meadow Sale.

The "Olga" and "Chloe" families mothered the highest scoring "Billys" at Bay Meadow Farms. Billy's Orpha scored Excellent-93 and was the first grand champion at the California State Fair for Bay Meadow. This is perhaps the most memorable win, as farms such as Adohr, Meadow Gold, James Canyon and many other top show herds were beaten that day! Bay Meadow Smokey Onita, another from this line, was chosen grand champion at the first Western National in Sacramento, California, as a 2-year-old.

Bay Meadow Billy's Cedar, from the "Chloe" family, scored Excellent-94. Her grandaughter, Hornet's Constance, also was grand champion at the California State Fair, plus the high selling Guernsey at the California State Fair for $5,500. Another great cow at Bay Meadow Farms is Bay

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From Outstanding Farmers Comes Outstanding Genetics

First runners-up in the 1998 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer Contest: Tom and Crystle Ripley and Dan and Shari Ripley.

Tom and Dan are following in their father's footsteps. Roland was the 1974 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer.

This family partnership would like to say thank you to the Romeo Syndicate for the shares purchased at the Genetic Explosion Sale in Louisville, Kentucky, on Ripley Farms Velour Romeo.

Seth Spencer, OR; Wilsonview Dairy, OR; Lavon Farms, TX; Kenneth and Keith Boese, MN; Thomas Nehring, WI; Terry Wheeler, NY; Walter Kelly, WV; Coon Brothers, NY; Doug Sims, SC; George Craft, NY; Charles Cargile, NY; Charles Kiechle, NY; Gordon Huckins, NH; Marodore Farm, OH; Earl Keegley, WA; Idle Neer Farm, IA; Todd Kilchenman, OH; Kevin Cottette, TN; Jens Gold Farm, WI; Truman Weaver, IN; Steve Mills, SC; Don Peterson, WI; Fred Canniff, NY; Kenlee Calvin, MO; Dick Whalen, NY; Clayton Smith, MD; John Morrow, PA; Stuart Berryman, KY; Audrey Wagner, IL; Nells Glow Guernseys, CA; O'Malley Farms, WI; Up The Creek Farm, MN; and Herby D. Lutz, SC.

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Meadow Elite's Daris. This great cow classified Excellent six times. She has mothered numerous class leaders and excellent offspring over the last 30 years. In fact, the Guernsey breed is still feeling the impact of this great cow's bloodlines. Bay Meadow Magic Dena, the 1997 All-American 3-year-old nominee, comes from this great family.

Arnold has always understood the value of presenting top individuals in the showring. Not only has he shown in the Western states, but he has also ridden the rails to the National Guernsey Show in Memphis. Arnold's stories of riding in the boxcar with his animals are stories that every Guernsey breeder should hear!

These are some of the premier individuals at Bay Meadow Farms, but listed below are some outstanding accomplishments made, due to Arnold's foresight and dedication to the Guernsey breed:

- Bred more than 150 Excellent cows
- Bred 40 to 50 Gold Star Dams
- Bred more than 500 cows with over 100,000 pounds of milk
- Made 15 class leading records
- Premier Breeder, California State Fair, at least 30 times
- Premier Exhibitor, California State Fair, at least 25 times
- Grand Champion, California State Fair, at least 20 times
- Premier Breeder and Exhibitor, Western National, Fresno, two times.
- Premier Breeder and Exhibitor, Western National, Sacramento, two times
- California Guernsey Futurity Winner, two times
- California Guernsey Cattle Club Production Award, 30 years consecutively
- Perpetual trophy winner for Get of Sire with Billy, Top Hornet, Jolly Val, Fayvor and home bred bulls.

Arnold recognized the profitability of the Guernsey cow early on. His philosophy has always been to breed commercial type Guernseys first and show type second. Bay Meadow Farms has continued to stay in business with Guernseys due to this adage. Beginning in the '60s, Arnold has been on top with production. At that time, Bay Meadow Farm was recognized for having a herd average over 12,500 pounds of milk and 500 pounds of butterfat. The current herd average on 200 cows is 16,000M 730F 590P actual.

Arnold has kept busy with affiliations and offices in various dairy trade organizations, breed organizations, DHIA boards, etc. He and Betty received the AGA Distinguished Service Award at the national convention in Denver in 1985. Bay Meadow Farms has been host to several type workshops, educational tours and promotions through the years. In an effort to keep the Guernsey cow in the public eye, each year, Bay Meadow Guernseys grace the California State Fair grounds, so that urban folk get the chance to milk a cow. Bay Meadow also donates a cow to the California Mobile School. School kids get an up-close look at how a cow works - and a Guernsey at that!

Arnold lost his "Sunshine", Betty, in 1995. Their shared philosophy of staying with the Guernsey cow through all of the hard times as well as the great times, helped Arnold get through this hard time.

This philosophy was made manifest at Bay Meadow Farms through hard work, dedication and the desire to prove that this could be done and will be done, as Betty would say! These qualities were passed down to the children and are evident in their endeavors. Walt, John and Laura, and their families, continue to be involved in the activities at Bay Meadow Farms. Each is an outstanding individual in their own right, nurtured and developed by caring parents. This is the greatest attribute to a Master Breeder.

1998 Distinguished Service Award Winner Bill Luff and presenter Neil Jensen.

Distinguished Service Award

William G. Luff of St. Saviours, Guernsey, Channel Islands, was presented with the American Guernsey Association's Distinguished Service Award by long-time friend Ralph Turley of Mansfield, Ohio.

Luff was honored for his distinguished service to the Guernsey breed. He has held various positions with the local breed society, the Royal Guernsey Agricultural and Horticultural Society, as well as being the former secretary and the current Chairman of the Herd Book Council and an independent member of the States of Guernsey Agricultural and Milk Marketing Board Artificial Insemination sub-committee. Bill has dedicated much of his life toward developing the Guernsey breed. He believes that the Guernsey breed needs to secure a substantial long-term rate of genetic improvement to ensure that it maintains a competitive international status.

A graduate of Hampshire College of Agriculture, Luff returned to Guernsey where he started farming at Les Frances Farm in partnership with this twin brother, John. He currently serves as secretary of the World Guernsey Cattle Federation. Bill's dedication and intense interest in the Guernsey breed has made him well-known and respected from every corner of the globe.

Presentation of Production Awards

Records Department Coordinator Seth Johnson recognized the 1997 national production award winners.

Arnold Knight Protein Award
Liebers Trophy

The 1998 winner of both the Liebers Trophy and the Arnold Knight Award is Heart O Gold Telestars Emily. As of December 31, 1997, "Emily" had produced 214,340 pounds of milk, 8,377 pounds of butterfat, and 7,323 pounds of protein.

Sunny Vale Farm Highlights

We are proud to announce that we achieved our first Double Gold Star Breeder Award in 1997.

#238 on the February 1998 high CPI list

Hedge Grove Velour Donna, VG-81

2-01 305D 16,550M 4.5% 747F 3.6% 596P

"Donna" is due to "Trumpet" in August.

Sunnyvale Farm Frank Kiah, EX-90

2-11 305D 14,310M 5.0% 709F 4.0% 577P

Sunnyvale Farm Breighton Spice

PA: +1,153M +24F +$129 +36P +$127

March 1998 Rolling Herd Average:

16,676M 777F 609P on 38 cows

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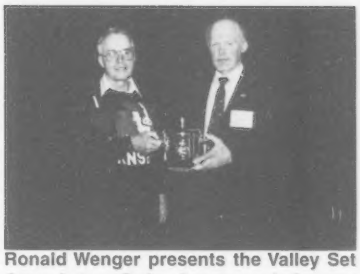
John and Pam Arnold of Wavery, Iowa, accept the Arnold Knight Protein Award and the Liebers Trophy.

Pamela Arnold of Waverly, Iowa, is the proud owner of "Emily". The Liebers trophy was established in 1949 by Mr. and Mrs. Otto Liebers of Lincoln, Nebraska, to recognize the cow with the highest living lifetime milk production.

The Arnold Knight Protein Award, sponsored by the Wisconsin Guernsey Breeders' Association, recognizes the top living lifetime protein producer in the breed. To be considered for these awards, the cow must be alive and on test for one month during the year in which they are recognized.

" Emily" was born on June 19, 1980. She was bred by Michael Bingham of Plainfield, Iowa. A Maurana Wis Telestar daughter, "Emily" was officially scored Very Good-88 points at the advanced age of 12 years. Of the eight daughters that "Emily" has produced over the years, four



Ronald Wenger presents the Valley Set Award to Dale Jensen of Amery, Wisconisn.

are scored, with one Excellent and three Very Goods.

Valley Set Award

Level Gold Deacons Elna is the winner of the 1997 Valley Set Butterfat Award. In 1986, the Ron Wenger Family of Goshen, Indiana, established the Valley Set Award to recognize the cow with the highest living lifetime butterfat production.

"Elna" has lifetime production totals of 193,576 pounds of milk, 9,985 pounds of fat and 6,997 pounds of protein.

"Elna" was born on January 8, 1979. She is bred and owned by Lyle Jensen of Amery, Wisconsin. A Lyrene Wistar Deacon daughter, "Elna's" 13 lactations came to an end this year after she completed a 365 day record starting at 16-09. Her best record came at 7-00 when she made 19,650 pounds of milk, 982 pounds of fat, and 717 pounds of protein. "Elna" is classified 91-points.

Shirley Smith of OCS Dairy, Jefferson, Maryland, accepts the Tarbell Trophy, the California Protein Award and the New England Trophy. (l ro r) Victoria Ansell, Bob Holcomb, Shirley Smith and Linda Madsen.

Tarbell Trophy, California Protein Award, New England Trophy

OCS Dairy Daisys Diadora makes a clean sweep of the individual production awards this year, taking home the 1997 Tarbell Trophy, California Protein Award and the New England Trophy. The Tarbell Trophy was established in 1948 by Swift Tarbell in memory of his father, the late Gage E. Tarbell, founder of Tarbell Guernsey Farm, Smithville Flats, New York. This award recognizes the highest 305-day mature equivalent lactation for butterfat. The California Protein Award is presented to the cow that completed the highest 305 day mature equivalent lactation for protein and is sponsored by the California Guernsey Cattle Club. The New England

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Visitors From Around The World

We enjoyed your visit!
Marfred Farms was proud to be one of the many stops on the post-conference tour.

We would like to thank Greg Kessler of California for his purchase of Marfred GH Becca in the Kentucky National/World Guernsey Conference Sale. We wish you the best of luck in the future.

Austin is now the proud owner of Briarcreek Goliath Rachael, thanks to Braswell Dairy and Gary Braswell of North Carolina.

Congratulations to fellow South Carolina Guernsey breeder Doug Sims on receiving the 1998 National Outstanding Young Guernsey Farmer Award.

Marfred Farms

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Trophy is awarded to the cow completing the highest 305 day mature equivalent lactation for milk.

Home for "Diadora" is OCS Dairy in Jefferson, Maryland. From the time she was a two-time All-American heifer until she was the Reserve Junior All-American Aged cow in 1994, she received recognition in the All-American contest each year for six straight years. Classified Excellent-94, she completed an actual 305-day record of 33,100M 1,541F 1,104P at 7-05 and completed a 365-day record of 37,630 pounds of milk. She has completed an astounding 21 class leading records on her way to making over 146,000 pounds of milk in her lifetime.

"Diadora" has a Grand Henry son being sampled at Select Sires. This is truly a cow family that combines the ultimate in type and production.

Nat'l Guernsey Queen Amy Poth presents David Trotter with the Nyala-Bedford Trophy.

Nyala-Bedford Trophy

Trotacre Magic Mercury Lucy-ET is the 1997 recipient of the Nyala-Bedford Award. The Nyala-Bedford Trophy is presented in memory of F.T. Bedford, founder of Nyala Farm, Green Farm, Connecticut. This trophy has been awarded for over 20 years to the 2-year-old that has completed the highest mature equivalent lactation for milk.

Randy Knapp from Knapp's Guernsey Farm accepts the high herd production awards from sponsors: (l ro r) Jim Trotter, PA GBA; Linda Madsen, CA GCC; Randy Knapp; and Mary Mohr, IL GBA.

Completing three generations of 30,000 pound cows, "Lucy" produced 31,260M 1,146F 1,021P in 305 days at 2-06. She was scored Very Good-86 as a 2-year-old. A "Magic" daughter, Lucy is the number one cow on the February 1998 high CPI list. She has a Jimco Pansys Patrick son in AI. "Lucy" is bred and owned by James Trotter of Enon Valley, Pennsylvania.

High Milk, High Butterfat and High Protein Herd

The American Guernsey Association is honored to present the awards for high TPE herd mature equivalent average for milk, fat and protein to one herd. Winning this award for the first time in 1997 is Randy Knapp and Family of Epworth, Iowa. The ME average for this herd in 1997 was 22,640 pounds of milk, 990 pounds of butterfat and 779 pounds of protein on 41 records.

The Knapps moved in early 1996 to a new farm with a brand new tie-stall barn. Since that time, they have seen their rolling herd average climb from 16,501 pounds of milk on 32 cows to its current level of 22,640 pounds of milk on 41 cows. Many factors have played a role in this succcess. They have found that the expense of this new facility has been more than worth it in terms of cow and people comfort.

Randy feels more frequent feeding helps high producing fresh cows stay on feed. The Knapps are breeding for better udders and overall type. They are flushing their top cows in an effort to accelerate the progress of the herd genetically. Randy says that he admires herds such as Land of Living, Valley Set Farm and Yellow Creek Farm that combine exceptional type and production successfully. To this end, they were named Premier Breeder at the World Dairy Expo for three years from 1995 to 1997. They have 16 cows on this year's Milk Flow Queen listing. Probably the greatest cow that has made Epworth, Iowa, her home is Pinebreeze Telestar Andora, a 95-point cow with over 26,000 pounds of milk. She currently has three grandaughters milking at Knapps that are potential fifth generation Excellents.

Jim Trotter of the Pennsylvania GBA represents Axel Linde and Millie Widmann of Lindenhof Guernseys and accepts the Commerical Herd Award from Robert Holcomb, New York GBA.

Randy gives credit to Bernard Pralle of Wisconsin for educating him in the ways of managing a high-producing herd and to his wife and family for all their hard work on the farm.

The Pennsylvania Guernsey Association sponsors the award for high TPE herd average for milk. The award for high TPE herd average for protein is sponsored by the California Guernsey Cattle Club, and the award for high TPE herd average for butterfat is sponsored by the Illinois Guernsey Breeders' Association.

Commercial Herd Award

In 1995, the AGA Board of Directors voted to begin recognizing outstanding production in the larger Guernsey herds in the country. It was decided to recognize those herds that were 1 1/2 times the size of an average TPE herd. In 1997, there were 57 cows in the average TPE herd.

The winner of the 1997 commercial herd award is Lindenhof Guernseys of Kirkwood, Pennsylvania. Their 1997 energy corrected milk lactation average for 71 cows was 21,737 pounds of milk. Their 1997 rolling herd average, almost identical to their lactation average, is 18,752M 4.9% 844F 3.5% 667P. The farm is run in a 50/50 partnership between Axel Linde and Millie Linde Widmann, the children of K.D. and Else Linde who started the farm in 1956.

The Lindes rely heavily on rotational grazing from early April to October. They strive to keep cows comfortable, using mattresses in their tie-stalls. Millie points out that due to their heavy use of young sires, there are 40 different sires represented among the

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On March 21, 1998, approximately 60 international guests and local breeders visited us during the World Guernsey Conference pre-tour. We enjoyed meeting and learning from Guernsey folks around the world and rekindling old friendships.

We would like to extend a special thank you to our sponsors for the day, whom we greatly appreciate: Cargill Animal Nutrition, Farmshine Newspaper, Land O'Lakes and Pennsylvania GBA.

Watch for Lindenhof Goliath Anchor to be released soon from Select Sires. "Anchor" is out of Lindenhof Enhancer Apfel, VG-87 who has records to 28,080M 1,127F 956P at 4-01 in 351 days.

Lindenhof Guernsey

Millie Widmann & Axel Linde, Partners; K.D. & Else Linde
2170 Kirkwood Pike, Kirkwood, PA 17536
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ECHOES OF THANKS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

To the American Guernsey Association and the generous Guernsey enthusiasts from the great state of Kentucky, we say thank you for hosting an outstanding 9th World Guernsey Conference!

"I would like to express my sincere thanks to the American Guernsey Association for honoring me with the 1998 Distinguished Service Award."
— Bill Luff

World Guernsey Cattle Federation Directors
Bottom row (l to r): Peter Hocart, Artur Pinho, Moira Crookes, E. Cline Brubaker, Jim Lichtwark, Stewart Dumesny, and Chris Watson. *Top row (l to r):* Neil Jensen, Dr. John O. Mozier, Michael Eddy, Walter Brehaut, Michael Dowler, Jim Eby, Peter Marwood, John Morrow, Alan Black, Warren Gibson, and Bill Luff.

WORLD GUERNSEY CATTLE FEDERATION

E. Cline Brubaker, President
Moira Crookes, Vice President
Bill Luff, Federation Secretary

The World Guernsey Cattle Federation links societies and associations with the aim of developing and promoting the Guernsey breed on an international basis.

Congratulations

Troy Hill

1998 National Outstanding Guernsey Youth
&
1998 National Guernsey Scholarship Winner

Troy has had a very enjoyable and rewarding time during his years as a Guernsey youth. We would like to thank everyone who has influenced him in any way or contributed to his success.

Troy plans to return home to the family farm following his graduation from Penn State.

As Troy finishes his youth career, we look forward to the next generation to carry on the Guernsey tradition.

Matthew Leise, Age 3
son of Peter and Elaine Hill Leise

Hillview Acres

Harold, Marilyn and Troy Hill
26 Roberts Rd., Sandy Lake, PA 16145

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World Guernsey Conference Highlights

World Guernsey Cattle Federation Directors. *Bottom row (l to r)*: Peter Hocart, Artur Pinho, Moira Crookes, E. Cline Brubaker, Jim Lichtwark, Stewart Dumesny and Chris Watson. *Top row (l to r)*: Neil Jensen, Dr. John O. Mozier, Michael Eddy, Walter Brehaut, Michael Dowler, Jim Eby, Peter Marwood, John Morrow, Alan Black, Warren Gibson and Bill Luff.

Guernsey breeders from around the United States welcomed the 9th World Guernsey Cattle Federation to Louisville, Kentucky, from Thursday, March 26 through Monday, March 30, 1998. This conference was held in conjunction with the annual American Guernsey Association Convention.

Starting out in Washington D.C. for a week-long pre-conference tour, approximately 30 international guests toured through the states of Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Ohio seeing Guernsey herds and special sights before making their way to Louisville, Kentucky, for the World Guernsey Conference.

On Thursday, March 26, Guernsey representatives from the host state of Kentucky welcomed 65 international guests representing the countries of New Zealand, Canada, Brazil, Isle of Guernsey, England, United Kingdom, Republic of South Africa, Kenya and Australia to the conference.

During the week, ideas echoed around on how to keep the Guernsey breed prospering around the world and moving forward for future generations. Together, Guernsey breeders from around the world attended seminars on topics such as product development and marketing objectives, youth extension programs, breeding strategies within small populations, environmental policies, farming objectives and Guernsey global breeding plans. Like the audience, speakers too came from around the world representing the countries of England, Sweden, Isle of Guernsey, United States and Canada.

U.S. breeders are particularly proud of association members representing them on the World Guernsey Federation Executive Committee and Board of Directors. Neil Jensen of Reynoldsburg, Ohio, will serve as chairman of the executive committee. John Morrow of Tyrone, Pennsylvania, and Dr. John Mozier of Stanley, Kansas, will be serving on the board of directors.

As the 9th World Guernsey Conference came to a close on Monday, March 30, the Republic of South Africa contingents invited everyone to attend the 10th World Guernsey Conference in South Africa in the year 2001. A closing banquet was also held as new and old friends parted with renewed enthusiasm and commitment to the Guernsey breed.

Approximately 30 international guests extended their stay in the states for a week of post-conference tours. This tour took participants through the states of Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and Florida, visiting with Guernsey breeders and seeing the sights. Guernsey breeders and enthusiasts from around the world had a great three weeks with much Guernsey fun and fellowship.

The people that made it all happen. Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture Billy Ray Smith bestowed the highest honor in Kentucky, a Kentucky Colonel, to the four chairs for the conference. From left to right are Neil Jensen, Patty Holbert, Commissioner Billy Ray Smith, Cecilia Sparrow and Bill Luff.

National Guernsey Sale Was A World Event

Four Winds Fayette Dee-ET was the high-selling female of the sale for $10,400. Pictured l to r are: Seth Johnson, Guernsey Marketing Service; Jim Trotter, PA GBA Business Manager; Lois Peckman, Buyer; David Smith, Pedigree Reader; Gary Estes, Auctioneer; "Dee"; Aaron Lancaster, Consignor; Kenny Deavers; Joy and Clark Vilter, Contenders.

Averaging $2,360 on 52 lots, The Kentucky National/World Guernsey Conference Sale proved a success for American and foreign interests. Four international buyers participated in the success of this outstanding sale.

Buyers nationally and internationally gathered in Louisville, Kentucky, hoping to bid last on animals selling in the National Convention Sale on March 30, 1998. Averaging $2,360 on 52 lots, this sale proved a success for American and foreign interests.

Sale Topper From The "Great" Cow

Topping the sale at $10,400 was Four Winds Fayette Dee-ET purchased by Pleasant View Farm Dairy of St. Thomas, Pennsylvania. "Dee", a Dutch Mill Telestar Fayette daughter, was the grand champion of the Kentucky National Show two days earlier on March 28. Her dam is the world reknown Westlynn Tom Dee. "Tom Dee", an Excellent-96 Westlynn Emory Tom daughter, has records to 26,540M 4.8% 1,284F 3.6% 961P at 5-11 in 365 days. She has been the grand champion at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, four consecutive years and was also the winner of the 1997 Great Cow Contest. "Tom Dee" also had four different daughters in the top three placings at the National Guernsey Show in Madison, Wisconsin, and was the dam of the 1997 All-American Junior Best Three Females. "Dee" was consigned by Madison Lancaster of Ferndale, Washington.

Second High-Seller Is Bound For The Tanbark Trail

The second high-selling female of the sale was SS Grandview Tune, a fancy open heifer who was the 1998 Reserve Junior Champion of the Kentucky National Show. "Tune", a Laeschland NPK Breighton-ET daughter, was consigned by Nichlas Stewart of Ava, Missouri, and was purchased by Friendship Farm of Millbrook, New York, for $7,200. "Tune's" dam is a Very Good-86 Rozelyn Pat Mar P Goliath-ET daughter and has records to 16,340M 4.8% 789F 3.6% 585P at 2-04 in 305 days. "Tune" was also the first place senior heifer calf at the 1997 Ozark Empire Fair. She is entered in the Missouri Futurity and the National Guernsey Gold Futurity.

Juniors Participate In Guernsey Gold

The high-selling Guernsey Gold heifer was Wilsonview Goliath Sheba, a Rozelyn Pat Mar P Goliath-ET daughter with PA totals of +1,196M +54F +36P CY+$153. "Sheba's" dam is a Very Good-84 Nells Glow Admiral Magic daughter with yield deviations of +3,239M +89F +62P. "Sheba" was consigned by Wilsonview Dairy Inc. of Tillamook, Oregon, and was purchased by Colby O'Malley of Gilman, Wisconsin, for $3,300. The Guernsey Gold heifer program is a small sale of select open heifers open for bidding for junior members only between the ages of six and 19. Fifteen percent of the gross proceeds from the sale of these heifers goes into a pot and is divided into four awards for a production contest. The production contest ranking is based on the animal's 2-year-old mature equivalent pounds of protein.

Consignments selling for $3,500 and above:

Kali Syndicate, Lester Prairie, MN
Flor Vick Smokeys Kali (06-92) $5,000
S: Wampanoag Fayette Smokey

Colby O'Malley, Gilman, WI
Valley Set G Happy (04-97) $4,100
S: Rozelyn Pat Mar P Goliath-ET

W. Gilbert and Audrey Cleggett and Warren Gibson, Australia
OCS Dairy Princess Di (09-96) $4,000
S: Dutch Mill Telestars Fayette

Sheilee O'Malley, Gilman, WI
Round Pond MM Edna (03-97) $3,850
S: Fourwinds Magicman-ET

Artur Pinho, Brazil
Land of Living M
Belinda-ET (09-96) $3,800
S: Nells Glow Admiral Magic

Spring Walk Farm, Big Prairie, OH
Lavon Farms
Enhancer Queen (09-95) $3,500
S: Sherma Victory Ellas Enhancer

SS Grandview Tune was the second high-selling female in the sale. Pictured (l to r) are: Dick Whalen, Buyer; David Smith, Pedigree Reader; Gary Estes, Auctioneer; "Tune"; Debra and Rollan Stewart, Consignors; and Kenlee Calvin.

National Guernsey Youth Banquet

Dedication and belief in the dairy industry brought recognition to young Guernsey enthusiasts during the 1998 National Guernsey Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Outstanding youth from across the country were recognized for their achievements and enthusiasm for Guernsey cattle.

Outstanding Guernsey Youth

Troy Hill of Sandy Lake, Pennsylvania, received the $500 Lawrence A. Colebank Award and $50 for travel expenses to the National Guernsey Convention for being named the National Outstanding Guernsey Youth winner. Hill is the son of Harold and Marilyn Hill and is a student at Pennsylvania State University majoring in dairy and animal science.

Hill believes that the American Guernsey Association has allowed him to fill his life with adventure, education, leadership and opportunity. At home on Hillview Acres, Hill does the majority of the interaction with the nutritionist, and they work closely together when it comes to making changes in the ration. In 1996, Hill states that together they were able to make changes that increased production per cow by 10 pounds a day, as well as decreasing cost per cow per day.

Following graduation from Penn State, Hill will be returning home to the family farm. Some of his goals include improving the herd production, marketing more animals and increasing the number of animals that they flush for both genetics and production. However, his primary goal is to be as successful as his parents are.

Kristi Orchard of Eagle, Wisconsin, was the first runner-up in the National Outstanding Guernsey Youth Contest. By strongly emphasizing the milk component and economical advantage that Guernseys offer over the other breeds, Kristi believes that Guernsey breeders can make their registered Guernseys worth more. Kristi is a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin-Madison majoring in agriculture education. Her responsibilities on her family's farm, Gurn-Z Meadow, include milking and feeding cows, feeding heifers, keeping records, assisting with herd health, manure management and working in the fields. She also rents some of her own land independently and raises crops to help nourish her herd. She has raised corn and soybeans, and it has been a great experience for Kristi having the opportunity to manage her own land. She feels that these are building blocks for her future. Kristi is the daughter of William and Kathleen Orchard. She received $50 to assist with her travel to the national convention.

Three other juniors rounded out the list of the top five finalists. Victoria Ansell of Scottdale, Pennsylvania, is studying pre-veterinary medicine at Penn State University. She is the daughter of Larry and Susan Ansell. Victoria says that she will always have a love for Guernseys and will remember the people who have helped her. Growing up on a dairy farm has given her values, morals and ethics, as well as taught her to care for and respect what is hers and the things that belong to others. She hopes to continue to own and breed the cow that she loves so much.

Jonathan McMurray is attending Penn State University majoring in communications. Jonathan is the son of John and Patty McMurray of Eighty Four, Pennsylvania. He states that family, friends, knowledge, fun, hard work and satisfaction are the things that sum up his experience with Guernseys, the dairy industry and the people associatied with them. He feels that his involvement with Guernseys and the dairy industry has shaped his life and made him the person he is today. Jonathan plans to always own Guernseys and be involved with Guernsey people. He hopes to continue to meet new people, make new friends and give back to the Guernsey cow what she has given to him.

Wapakoneta, Ohio, is home for Krista Richardson, daughter of John and Carolyn Richardson. Krista attends The Ohio State University majoring in food science. She was the 1997 National Guernsey Princess. Through this honor, Krista states that she has been able to write articles for Guernsey youth in the new Golden Connection and has had the opportunity to travel to different national shows and speak to fellow breeders. She also feels that the Ohio Junior Guernsey Breeders have had a high impact in her life. She served as secretary and vice-president for the group and has been captain of the senior quiz bowl team for the last four years.

Guernsey Royal Court Announced

After days of skits, speeches and interviews, the 1998 National Guernsey Queen and Princess were crowned during the National Guernsey Youth Banquet. Amy Poth was chosen as the 1998 National Guernsey Queen from the eight candidates.

Amy is the daughter of Ted and Kathy Poth of Pickerington, Ohio. She is a sophomore at The Ohio State University majoring in agriculture education. Amy believes Guernsey breeders should be proud of the rich heritage that started on the Island of Guernsey over 1,000 years ago. She feels that efficiency, production, adaptability and the simple beauty of the Guernsey cow will allow them to remain competitive in today's dairy industry. Amy is currently an intern at ABN Radio and TV, as well as the Ohio

1998 National Outstanding Guernsey Youth and 1998 National Guernsey Scholarship Award Winner Troy Hill of Sandy Lake, PA, is congratulated by Youth Committee Member Patty McMurray of Eighty Four, PA.

After the days of skits and personal interviews, the 1998 National Guernsey Queen contestants gather together once more before the naming of the new queen and princess. Pictured above are queen contestants, escorts and judges.

The first place 1998 National Senior Quiz Bowl Contest winners hailed from the state of Pennsylvania. Pictured above from left to right are Bev Wachtel, Youth Committee Member and team members Andrew Ebersole, Heath Ocker, Victoria Ansell, Eric Poole and team coach Jonathan McMurray.

Florida State was the winner of the 1998 National Junior Quiz Bowl Contest. Pictured above from left to right are Coach Deb Clements, team members Stacy Revels, Serena Churchwell, Emily Clements, Sarah Bishop and team coach Mary Sowerby.

FFA Association and is an active member in the Ohio Junior Guernsey Breeders' Association. Amy also took home the honors of having the top skit in the queen contest.

The 1998 National Guernsey Princess is Victoria Ansell. She is the daughter of Larry and Susan Ansell of Scottdale, Pennsylvania. Victoria is currently pursuing a dairy and animal science degree at Pennsylvania State University and hopes to become a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in the future. Victoria believes that balanced cattle are what the dairy industry is looking for, and the Guernsey breed possesses this characteristic. As a member of the Pennsylvania Junior Guernsey Breeders' Association, Victoria has been named the junior herdsman at the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Kentucky, as well as the 1998 National Outstanding Guernsey Youth first runner-up.

The candidates for queen included Victoria Ansell, Pennsylvania; Andrea Branstetter, Kentucky; Katie Dixon, Maryland; Katharine Marie Karow, Wisconsin; Amy Poth, Ohio; Natalie Nicole Tuck, California; Nancy Williams, Indiana; and Emily Wood, Minnesota.

National Guernsey Youth Scholarship Awarded

Troy Hill of Sandy Lake, Pennsylvania, was the recipient of the second National Guernsey Youth Scholarship. Hill is the son of Harold and Marilyn Hill and attends Pennsylvania State University majoring in dairy and animal science. Troy was born and raised on a Guernsey farm and has shown Guernseys for 12 years. He has also been a director for the Pennsylvania Junior Guernsey Breeders' Association, where he also served as the secretary-treasurer and president.

Troy feels that his Guernsey experiences have enabled him to be a leader and a successful Guernsey breeder. The Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Association has also allowed Troy to expand his leadership roles and his ability to work with others cooperatively.

The National Guernsey Youth Scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors through 21 years of age as of January 1. Applicants must own one or more registered Guernseys and be a junior member of the American Guernsey Association.

Quiz Bowl Contest

What is the average pounds of milk produced by a Guernsey cow? Who is currently the American Guernsey Association President? These were just two examples of the type of questions asked during the 1998 National Quiz Bowl Contest.

Many outstanding quiz bowl teams represented their states well in the quiz bowl competitions. In the junior division, the Florida team took home the first place Guernsey suncatchers sponsored by Pennsylvania GBA and Illinois GBA. The team consisted of Stacy Revels, Sarah Bishop, Emily Clements and Serena Churchwell.

In the senior division, also receiving suncatchers sponsored by the Pennsylvania GBA and Illinois GBA, Pennsylvania took top honors. The team consisted of Andrew

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1998 Junior Gold Star Breeders from left to right are Jonathan McMurray, Krista Richardson, R. Tony Fulton III, Seth Kohler, Katie Dixon and Brett Dixon. Junior Gold Star Breeder Awards are given to junior members who have bred and developed Guernsey cows that excel in both production and type.

National Junior Production Contest winners in the individual Cow Award Category. From left to right are Lance Zweegman, Austin Ayars, Lucas Ayars, Jessica Eilers, Sara Dueringer (for Jay Laesch) and Kate Nelson. These juniors had animals ranked in the top five for milk, butterfat and protein.

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Ebersole, Heath Ocker, Victoria Ansell and Eric Poole.

National Junior Gold Star Breeders

Junior Gold Star Breeder awards are given to those junior members who have bred and developed Guernsey cows that excel in both production and type. The following is a list of these members and their animals:

Katie Dixon, Maryland
GR-Dix-Lee Smokey Whiskey, EX-91
YD: +2,351M -19F +47P
Dix-Lee PK Butterscotch, VG-88
YD: -163M +86F +43P
Dix-Lee Magic Buttermint, VG-84
YD: +2,291M +103F +62P
Steven Brett Dixon, Maryland
Dix-Lee Perfecto Betsy, VG-84
YD: +2,430M +35F +90P
Dix-Lee Perfecto Fawna-Twin, EX-91
YD: +1,484M +57F +31P
R. Tony Fulton III, California
Pat Mar Bossman Joyce, VG-87
YD: +1,194M +94F +85P
Jeremy Ivcic, Pennsylvania
Twin Brook Magic Sweet Pea, VG-86
YD: +4,596M +146F +144P
Sean Rogers-Kohler, Ohio
Marodore Ideal Victoria, D-78
YD: +2,503M +129F +97P
Randi Marchezak, Pennsylvania
Twin Brook Simon Moriah, VG-85
YD: +765M +113F +52P
Jonathan McMurray, Pennsylvania
Twin Brook Perfect Tia-Twin, VG-87
YD: +3,984M +77F +107P
Twin Brook Smokey Tricia, VG-86
YD: +1,487M +42F +42P
Twin Brook Magic Tina, VG-87
YD: +1,142M +134F +48P
Krista Richardson, Ohio
Balmorals PK Bingo, D-78
YD: +882M +145F +38P

National Junior Production Contest

The National Junior Production Contest encourages Guernsey youth to develop a strong interest in profitable, high-producing registered Guernseys. Listed below are those animals that rank in the top five of the nominees for milk, butterfat and protein.

Individual Cow Awards

Sandy Hill Wandas Winnie
3-11 305D 29,009M 1,885F 1,076P ME
First for Milk, First for Butterfat, First for Protein
Jessica Eilers, Iowa
Windsong Frank Jolly
4-04 305D 28,960M 1,267F 914P ME
Second for Milk, Third for Butterfat, Third for Protein
Austin and Lucas Ayars, Ohio
Park Lawn Perfecto Charisma
3-05 305D 28,558M 1,048F 880P ME
Third for Milk, Fifth for Protein
Jay Laesch, Illinois
Land Of Living O Jamilynn
3-09 305D 26,972M 1,055F 890P ME
Fourth for Milk, Fourth for Protein
Austin and Lucas Ayars, Ohio
Nells Glow Admiral Dorelle
2-00 305D 25,836M 1,074F 797P ME
Fifth for Milk
Kate Nelson, California
Meadow Creek Franks Ila
4-01 305D 23,971M 1,676F 780P ME
Second for Butterfat
David Cross, Minnesota
Rozelyn Perfect Kindra
3-03 305D 24,600M 1,186F 928P ME
Fourth for Butterfat, Second for Protein
Lance Zweegman, Washington
Wheatland Magic Linda
4-03 305D 24,236M 1,127F 790P ME
Fifth for Butterfat
Kate Nelson, California

Group of Three Cow Awards

Austin and Lucas Ayars, Ohio
First for Milk, First for Butterfat, First for Protein
Average 26,294M 1,144F 868P ME
Windsong Frank Jolly
Land Of Living O Jamilynn
Land Of Living P Evie Lynn-ET
Kate Nelson, California
Second for Milk, Third for Butterfat, Second for Protein
Average 24,525M 1,066F 790P ME
Wheatland Magic Linda
Nells Glow Magic Taryn
Nells Glow Admiral Dorelle
Katie Boesche, Illinois
Third for Milk, Fourth for Protein
Average 21,992M 887F 740P ME
Pecks Frank Krystal
Pecks Perfecto Kristy
Pecks Magic Queen
Dottie R. Brundige, Kentucky
Fourth for Milk, Fifth for Butterfat
Average 21,095M 928F 719P ME
Aqua Valley Bandit Dana
Aqua Valley Jetstar Dani
Aqua Valley Dav Amanda
Lance Zweegman, Washington
Fifth for Milk, Fourth for Butterfat, Third for Protein
Average 20,713M 965F 744P ME
Rozelyn Smokey Rita
Rozelyn Perfect Kindra
Valley Gem MM Winner
Jessica Eilers, Iowa
Second for Butterfat, Fifth for Protein
Average 19,459M 1,109F 730P
Sandy Hill Wandas Winnie
Sandy Hill Babes Buffy
Sandy Hill Wandas Wonder

Guernsey Gold Production Contest

The Guernsey Gold Heifer Program was started in 1986 as a small sale of select open heifers for junior members. This program gives youth the chance to add top-quality genetics to their herd, along with the chance to win prize money. Fifteen percent of the sale gross is set aside for a production contest. The heifer must calve before reaching 30 months of age to be eligible to compete in the production contest. The winners are ranked by the animal's 2-year-old mature equivalent pounds of protein. In 1995, we saw 12 calves sell through seven different sales. These 12 calves sold for an average of $1,388. This Guernsey Gold pot of $2,471.25 was divided among the own-

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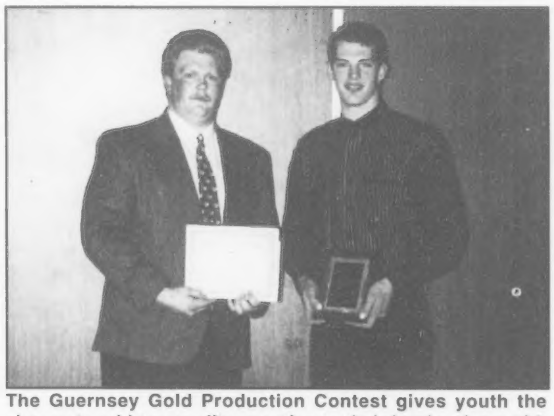
National Junior Production Contest Winners in the Group of Three Cows Category from left to right are: Austin Ayars, Kate Nelson, Dottie Brundige, Katie Boesche, Jessica Eilers, Lucas Ayars and Lance Zweegman.



The Guernsey Gold Production Contest gives youth the chance to add top-quality genetics to their herds, along with the chance to win prize money. Pictured above are the two juniors that placed in the top four money prizes that were present at convention. From left are Troy Hill and Lance Zweegman.

"And the 1998 National Guernsey Queen is . . . Amy Poth, from Ohio."

Amy Poth

These very words heard at the 1998 National Guernsey Youth Banquet have left me with much enthusiasm and excitement for the upcoming year. I am extremely honored to be representing Guernsey breeders across the nation. I would like to take this opportunity to officially introduce myself. I am the daughter of Ted and Kathy Poth and the older sister of Katy and Jody Poth. We live on Ridgeview Farm, located in Pickerington, Ohio. Ridgeview Farm has been in the family since the early 1920s. We currently raise dairy, sheep and market hogs. We also sell fresh produce in the summer.

My love for agriculture began with my early interest in the dairy industry. I remember watching in amazement as my dad milked the dairy cows. Those cows seemed gigantic compared to a little 5-year-old girl. I also remember many rides with my mom in the grain trucks, as we hauled grain to the terminals. At the age of nine, I can remember walking out into the field with my dad to pick out my first Guernsey heifer calf. At that moment, I had no idea how that one heifer calf would soon change my life forever. Through 11 years of 4-H and four years of FFA, I have come to love and appreciate the Guernsey breed. My strong involvement in 4-H and FFA led me to many judging contests, dairy conferences and leadership activities. In 1996, I was elected as an Ohio State FFA officer. I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Kentucky Guernsey Breeders' Association for a job well done. My family truly enjoyed a very memorable convention. It was wonderful to be in the company of so many others who have a strong belief in the future of the Guernsey breed. Thanks to all of those people that contributed much time to making the queen contest a success. I also want to send a thank you to the Ohio Guernsey Breeders' Association. Your constant words of encouragement and friendly smiles meant so much to me. Most of all, thank you for believing in me. I am very proud to be a "Buckeye Guernsey Breeder".

I am looking forward to promoting the Guernsey breed, representing our youth and meeting many of you throughout my endeavors as your National Guernsey Queen this year. Thank you for a wonderful beginning of a very exciting journey!

Amy Poth
1998 National Guernsey Queen

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ers of the top four production animals. The top winners are as follows:

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1st Place ~ $988.50
Valley Gem MM Winner
ME Protein Pounds ~ 684
Lance Zweegman, Washington
2nd Place ~ $741.37
Yellow Creek Magic Carlene
ME Protein Pounds ~ 633
Brian Riggs, Indiana
3rd Place ~ $494.25
Maple Knoll Forestar Jayne
ME Protein Pounds ~ 492
Kendy Beth Gable, Pennsylvania
4th Place ~ $247,13
Paradise Acres Valley Tamara
ME Protein Pounds ~ 475
Troy Hill, Pennsylvania

Since They Are Buckeye Guernsey Breeders, This Is What They Have The Chance To Be ....

Royalty

1998 National Guernsey Queen
Amy Poth
1997 National Guernsey Princess
Krista Richardson

High Rollers

National Production Award Winners
Austin Ayars
Lucas Ayars

National Junior Gold Star Breeders
Sean Rogers-Kohler
Krista Richardson

Scholars

National Quiz Bowl Team Participants
Austin Ayars
Lucas Ayars
Amanda Derr
Andrea Derr
Krista Richardson
Stephan Oechsle
Aaron Derr

Explorer

1998 National Scavenger Hunt Winner
Caleb Kohler

We would like to extend a big Buckeye invitation to everyone to attend the 1999 National Guernsey Convention in Columbus, Ohio. Where Guernseys Shine In '99 • June 23-26, 1999

Ohio Guernsey Breeders

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1997 Gold Star Awards

The annual Gold Star Award program of the American Guernsey Association recognizes those herds which have performed significantly well for both production and type.

Twenty-three farms from 12 states received awards under this recognition program for 1997. The state of Wisconsin was represented the most on the list with six farms receiving awards. The state of Indiana followed with three farms.

Yellow Creek Farm of Goshen, Indiana, tops the double gold star breeder list. Owned by Truman Weaver and Family, the herd is receiving a gold star award for the twenty-ninth time. Rozelyn Farm owned by the Leon Zweegman Family of Lynden, Washington, occupies second place. This herd is receiving a gold star award for the twenty-eighth year. The Dennis Nelson Family of Hilmar, California, rounds out the top three on the double gold star breeder list. The Nells Glow Guernsey herd earns gold star recognition for the twentieth consecutive year.

Congratulations to the breeders who are receiving gold star recognition for the first time: Laesch Brothers, Normal, Illinois; Cozy Nook Farm, Waukesha, Wisconsin; Freeman Brundige, Fulton, Kentucky; Frederick and Bruce Kipp, North Prairie, Wisconsin; Ronald and Michelle Heins, Eyota, Minnesota; Dennis Zielsdorf, Black River Falls, Wisconsin; and Jerry Lambrecht, Bedford, Indiana.

To qualify for a Gold Star Breeder certificate, an individual's herd lactation average for 10 or more milking-age females must exceed that of the breed's national mature equivalent average for milk, butterfat or protein by 15 percent. For 1997, this average was 17,630 pounds of milk, 783 pounds of butterfat and 613 pounds of protein. Eighty percent of the cows considered in the herd's production results must have been appraised for type, with their average final score equalling or higher than the breed average of 79.7 points. The award recipient, an active member in good standing, must be the breeder of at least 70 percent of the cows under consideration.

Gold Star Herds are considered using the same criteria, with the exception that no minimum percentage of homebred cows are required. The herd lactation average must be at least 25 percent above the breed's national ME figures for milk, butterfat or protein; or more than 19,136 pounds of milk, 855 pounds of butterfat and 661 pounds of protein.

Double Gold Star recognition is given to breeders and herds which meet the aforementioned qualifications and are members of an organized Guernsey young sire sampling program.

The AGA is pleased to recognize the following 1997 Gold Star Award recipients and their credentials.

DOUBLE GOLD STAR BREEDER

Owner	No. Cows	Milk	Butterfat	Protein	Avg. Score	Number Awards
Weaver, Truman, Goshen, IN	57	18,158	793	643	81.4	29
Zweegman, Leon D., Lynden, WA	43	18,822	835	676	82.5	28
Nelson, Dennis, Hilmar, CA	70	18,746	837	643	80.7	20*
Hoard W.D. & Sons Co., Fort Atkinson, WI	78	17,200	806	590	81.3	18
Lutz, Herby, Chester, SC	15	21,040	966	717	85.7	8
Boesche, Jim & Carol, DeKalb, IL	15	19,065	809	634	81.4	4*
Griswold, Thomas A. Sr., Ixonia, WI	27	18,735	864	646	80.4	4
Marsh Homestead Inc., Cornelius, OR	30	19,128	879	654	80.2	3*
Buck, Gabrielle B., Port Deposit, MD	35	19,060	896	632	81.2	2*
Skaar, Chris W. & Sons, Hayward, MN	26	19,067	875	652	81.2	2*
Laesch Brothers, Normal, IL	10	20,465	877	704	81.5	1
Cozy Nook Farm, Waukesha, WI	10	18,659	814	634	80.9	1
Brundige, Freeman H., Fulton, KY	18	17,894	755	614	82.9	1
Kipp, Frederick & Bruce, North Prairie, WI	36	17,766	767	616	81.9	1
Heins, Ronald & Michelle, Eyota, MN	13	17,758	800	600	82.5	1
Zielsdorf, Dennis, Black River Falls, WI	35	17,095	788	613	80.7	1

GOLD STAR BREEDER

Owner	No. Cows	Milk	Butterfat	Protein	Avg. Score	Number of Awards
Vilter, W. Clark, Hartland, WI	20	19,038	776	610	87.4	4*
Wenger, Ronald E., Goshen, IN	35	16,799	784	586	81.6	3
Wachtel, William & Family, Big Prairie, OH	68	17,128	796	592	81.2	3
Messix, William B. III, Queen Anne, MD	14	17,600	786	595	83.8	2
Lambrecht, Jerry, Bedford, IN	28	17,293	722	616	80.9	1

DOUBLE GOLD STAR HERD

Owner	No. Cows	Milk	Butterfat	Protein	Avg. Score	Number of Awards
Knapp, Randy, Epworth, IA	41	22,640	990	779	86.1	4

GOLD STAR HERD

Owner	No. Cows	Milk	Butterfat	Protein	Avg. Score	Number of Awards
Suttle, Mark, Orrville, OH	15	19,952	833	687	83.2	3

*Denotes consecutive years received gold star awards.

1997 Milk Flow Queens

The following list of cows was compiled from DHIR and DHIA records made official during 1997. The Milk Flow Queen designation recognizes the top 100 cows with the highest mature equivalent (m.e.) 305-day records made on twice daily milking. Only records made between 270 days and 365 days are considered.

O C S DAIRY DAISYS DIADORA SMITH OSCAR CLAY - JEFFERSON MD	7-05	305D	2X	33100M*	4.7%	1541*	3.3%	1104P*	35417	1633	1170
TROTACRE MAGIC MERCURY LUCY-ET TROTTER JAMES R - ENON VALLEY PA	2-06	305D	2X	31260M*	3.7%	1146*	3.3%	1021P*	35011	1261	1123
KNAPPS PERFECTO ALFINA KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA	3-03	305D	2X	28910M	4.8%	1377	3.4%	991P	31801	1460	1050
KNAPPS INVEST MARTINA KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA	5-07	305D	2X	29820M	3.6%	1081	3.0%	905P	31013	1103	923
TROTACRE FORESTAR APRIL TROTACRE FARM - ENON VALLEY PA	4-07	289D	2X	28510M*	3.1%	896	3.1%	874P	29953	932	909
GR-HOWERTON FARMS SENTRY SUNIE HOWERTON BOBBY OR MILDRED - BUFFALO MO	4-09	305D	2X	28070M*	3.7%	1032	3.1%	858P	29474	1053	875
GR-SPRING WALK D JELL SPRING WALK FARM - BIG PRAIRIE OH	4-11	305D	2X	29670M*	4.6%	1352*	3.4%	998P*	29373	1298	958
WINDSONG FRANK JOLLY AYARS AUSTIN & LUCAS - MECHANICSBURG OH	4-04	305D	2X	26090M	4.5%	1184	3.3%	854P	28960	1267	914
TROTACRE PERFECTO VAL TROTTER CASEY - ENON VALLEY PA	2-02	305D	2X	23420M	4.7%	1099*	3.5%	811P*	28807	1330	981
PARK LAWN PERFECTO CHARISMA LAESCH JAY - NORMAL IL	3-05	305D	2X	28000M*	3.7%	1048	3.1%	880P	28560	1048	880
OCS DAIRY DIAS PERFECT OPAL-ET SMITH OSCAR CLAY - JEFFERSON MD	2-07	305D	2X	25340M	4.7%	1188*	3.4%	861P*	28381	1295	938
PINE GROVE PERFECTO KARLA KNAPP D RANDY & FAMILY - EPWORTH IA	2-10	305D	2X	24860M	4.2%	1044	3.4%	839P	27843	1128	906
ASKEW FARMS PENDER YUPPY-ET LUTZ HERBY D - CHESTER SC	6-07	305D	2X	26090M	4.4%	1152	3.2%	830P	27655	1210	872
NORTHS PROTEIN KING HAZEL KNAPP D RANDY & FAMILY - EPWORTH IA	2-03	305D	2X	24910M	3.8%	939	3.2%	806P	27650	1024	879
HOLCOMBS H GWYNN HOLCOMB DONALD - GREENE NY	6-04	305D	2X	26670M	4.4%	1169	3.7%	976P	27203	1204	1005
KNAPPS SMOKEY PRECIOUS KNAPP WANDA DREES - EPWORTH IA	3-08	305D	2X	24370M	4.5%	1106	3.6%	868P	27051	1206	946
LAESCHLAND PERFECT BLISS-ET ERDMAN+WILSON+GRIGGS+RUSHNG+LAVON - INOLA	2-07	305D	2X	25970M*	4.3%	1128*	3.4%	891P*	27009	1173	927
LAND OF LIVING O JAMILYNN AYARS AUSTIN & LUCAS - MECHANICSBURG OH	3-09	305D	2X	23660M	4.0%	950	3.4%	802P	26972	1055	890
KNAPPS FAYETTE TIFFANY KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA	6-09	305D	2X	24280M	4.5%	1102	3.6%	862P	26951	1223	957
KNAPPS ANDORASON MICHELLE KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA	4-00	305D	2X	27410M	4.3%	1178	3.2%	890P	26862	1143	863
LINDENHOF JESTER GARLIC LINDE AXEL & WIDMANN MILDRED E - KIRKWOOD	5-00	305D	2X	27680M	3.9%	1066	3.2%	886P	26850	1023	851
KNAPPS ARROW LOVEY KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA	2-00	305D	2X	24170M*	4.1%	997	3.2%	772P	26829	1107	857
FISHER FARMS FRANKS SARAH FISHER DANIEL - SCOTTSVILLE KY	3-06	305D	2X	26470M	3.3%	867	3.0%	785P	26735	876	793
GR-ROLLING VIEW ACRES MAG RUBY LANTZ JON & FELDMANN FRANCIS+SONS - ELLSWO	3-05	305D	2X	24080M	4.1%	993	3.5%	839P	26729	1082	915
GR-ROC SPRING GH TREASURE CRAIG JOEL A - NORTH BANGOR NY	1-11	305D	2X	22250M*	5.0%	1105*	3.2%	715P	26700	1326	858
PINE RIDGE ANDY MELODY SKAAR CHRIS W & SONS - HAYWARD MN	4-04	305D	2X	26850M	4.4%	1178	3.4%	902P	26582	1154	884
BEAVER CREEK MAGIC KANDY LAABS JENNIFER - WESTBY WI	3-01	305D	2X	24570M	4.9%	1192	3.8%	923P	26290	1228	951
MT ARARAT VICTORY JULIA BUCK GABRIELLE B - PORT DEPOSIT MD	7-00	305D	2X	26820M	3.9%	1033	2.8%	762P	26015	1002	739
LINDENHOF MAGIC DOLLY LINDE AXEL J - KIRKWOOD PA	2-11	305D	2X	22820M	4.0%	908	3.1%	710P	26015	1017	795
WILSONVIEW FRANK SAVIOR-ET WILSONVIEW DAIRY INC - TILLAMOOK OR	5-06	305D	2X	25200M	3.9%	983	2.9%	720P	25956	993	727
NELLS GLOW SMOKEY DORELLE NELSON KATE H - HILMAR CA	2-03	305D	2X	21530M	4.3%	918	3.2%	681P	25836	1074	797
AQUA VALLEY BMOST BERNICE BRUNDIGE FREEMAN H - FULTON KY	4-06	305D	2X	26540M*	4.0%	1066	3.4%	902P*	25744	1034	875
WALNUT HILL FRANK MIKAELA SUTTLE MARK - ORRVILLE OH	3-07	305D	2X	24500M	3.2%	795	3.3%	817P	25725	827	850
HOMESTEAD FRANK ANGELINA MARSH BRANDI - CORNELIUS OR	5-05	305D	2X	24690M	4.4%	1087	3.5%	874P	25678	1120	900
ROZELYN SMOKEY JOANNE ROZELYN FARM - LYNDEN WA	3-06	305D	2X	24610M	4.4%	1082	3.5%	868P	25594	1114	894
ROYAL ACRES PENDER JESSICA-ET JASURDA EDWARD - PHILLIPS WI	2-01	305D	2X	22050M	3.3%	736	3.2%	696P	25578	854	807
LAESCHLAND SMOKEY OPHELIA KNAPP D RANDY & FAMILY - EPWORTH IA	4-01	305D	2X	25320M	3.9%	976	3.5%	889P	25320	947	862
WILSONVIEW SMOKEY ELLA MOORE TODD & GRIGGS ROBERT C JR - PLANO TX	5-02	305D	2X	26250M	3.8%	993	3.3%	861P	25200	953	827
STANDING ROCK FAYETTE CURLY KNAPP D RANDY & FAMILY - EPWORTH IA	4-09	305D	2X	23990M	4.6%	1106	3.5%	850P	25190	1128	867
NELLS GLOW MAGIC MYLADY NELSON DENNIS E - HILMAR CA	2-02	305D	2X	21700M	4.3%	934	3.4%	729P	25172	1065	831
GLEN BROOK SMOKEY VIVIAN DANHOF JA+CLEMENTS BREN+LANTZ JON - MARSHF	8-01	305D	2X	26220M	4.0%	1053	3.1%	810P	25171	1021	786
AQUA VALLEY BANDIT DANA BRUNDIGE DOTTIE RUTH - FULTON KY	4-06	305D	2X	25890M	4.3%	1102	3.2%	827P	25113	1080	810
YELLOW CREEK M LATOYA WEAVER TRUMAN - GOSHEN IN	2-01	305D	2X	21240M	4.0%	843	3.4%	728P	25063	978	844
YELLOW CREEK KB LOIS WEAVER TRUMAN - GOSHEN IN	5-07	305D	2X	26220M	3.9%	1021	3.2%	826P	24909	970	785
PR-PINE RIDGE LEGENDS SALLY SKAAR CHRIS - HAYWARD MN	3-09	305D	2X	24620M	3.8%	934	3.4%	827P	24866	934	827
KNAPPS MAGIC ADELINA-ET KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA	1-10	305D	2X	21760M*	4.0%	874	3.3%	727P*	24806	996	829
KNAPPS MAGIC SUNRISE-TWIN KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA	1-10	305D	2X	20760M	4.1%	843	3.5%	718P	24704	986	840
MELLDORO PERFECTO FAN	3-06	305D	2X	22020M	4.9%	1068	3.5%	760P	24662	1153	821

LUTZ HERBY D - CHESTER SC **GT-LANAS PLACE PGS RUSTY**	3-07	305D	2X	23641M	3.9%	929	3.2%	750P	24587	938	758
LOVELESS MARK AND GAIL - CROMWELL IN **FOUR WINDS FAYVOR ANGELA**	4-10	305D	2X	25290M	4.2%	1069	3.2%	821P	24531	1026	788
VILTER CLARK & JOY - HARTLAND WI **HILLDALE SMOKEY CLARA**	4-06	305D	2X	22260M	3.7%	824	3.2%	715P	24486	882	765
HOARD W D & SONS CO - FORT ATKINSON WI **FOUR WINDS FRANK TINA**	3-07	305D	2X	23760M	4.6%	1084	3.3%	781P	24473	1106	797
VILTER W CLARK - HARTLAND WI **YELLOW CREEK CALEB RETTA**	4-09	305D	2X	23520M	4.5%	1053	3.6%	841P	24461	1064	849
WEAVER TRUMAN - GOSHEN IN **SPRING FLO MAGICS VANITA-ET**	3-01	305D	2X	23060M	3.6%	841	3.2%	739P	24444	866	761
WARE THOMAS J - FORESTVILLE WI **HAYSETTS FAYETTE SMOKEY BABBET**	-05	305D	2X	21960M	3.7%	814	3.1%	670P	24376	863	710
VILTER CLARK & JOY - HARTLAND WI **LINDENHOF AGNI BEATRICE**	8-04	305D	2X	25310M	3.8%	967	3.4%	850P	24298	948	833
LINDE AXEL & WIDMANN MILDRED E - KIRKWOOD **OCS DAIRY MEEKS BRIT**	1-09	305D	2X	20730M	4.9%	1016*	3.7%	757P*	24254	1189	886
SMITH OSCAR CLAY - JEFFERSON MD **BAY MEADOW PERFECTO DEVIN-TWIN**	3-00	305D	2X	21840M	4.3%	937	3.5%	754P	24242	1040	837
BAY MEADOW FARMS - GALT CA **WHEATLAND MAGIC LINDA**	4-03	305D	2X	23530M	4.7%	1116	3.3%	782P	24236	1127	790
NELSON KATE H - HILMAR CA **GR-TURKEY RIDGE ANDRES JEWEL**	2-00	305D	2X	21610M	4.3%	931	3.4%	727P	24203	1033	807
KNAPP D RANDY & FAMILY - EPWORTH IA **SPRING WALK LT JESSE**	5-02	305D	2X	25190M	4.6%	1166	3.1%	778P	24182	1108	739
WACHTEL FLOYD & FAMILY - BIG PRAIRIE OH **BEAUTY VIEW MAGIC JOY**	2-00	305D	2X	20080M	4.0%	800	3.3%	663P	24096	952	789
KONECKY BARBARA - WAHOO NE **GOLDEN KNOLL MAGIC LUNA**	2-05	305D	2X	21900M	4.4%	962	3.5%	764P	24090	1049	833
KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA **LAMBRECHT SMOKEY CARMEN**	4-10	285D	2X	21050M	3.6%	757	3.3%	694P	24081	858	787
DANHOF JASON - MARSHFIELD WI **HOMESTEAD FRANK SHIRA J**	3-10	305D	2X	23380M	4.9%	1135	3.2%	743P	24081	1146	750
MARSH BRANDI - CORNELIUS OR **HOMESTEAD PERFECT JILLANY**	2-02	305D	2X	20580M	4.0%	833	3.4%	704P	24079	966	817
MARSH HOMESTEAD INC - CORNELIUS OR **VALLEY OAKS MAGIC PECAN**	3-11	305D	2X	22470M	4.5%	1020	3.6%	806P	24043	1051	830
ORISIO RAYMOND JR - KINGSBURG CA **MARODORE IDEAL LOLA**	3-03	305D	2X	22870M	4.8%	1102	3.6%	829P	24014	1135	854
MARODORE FARM - BALTIMORE OH **CROWN STONE MAGIC DAISY**	3-06	305D	2X	21020M	3.7%	780	3.4%	709P	23963	866	787
GABLE AARON - NEW ENTERPRISE PA **ROZELYN PERFECT JULIET**	3-00	305D	2X	20790M	4.2%	863	3.6%	752P	23909	958	835
ROZELYN FARM - LYNDEN WA **NELLS GLOW MAGIC ESTHA**	2-04	305D	2X	20430M	4.3%	886	3.4%	687P	23903	1019	790
NELSON DENNIS E - HILMAR CA **COZY NOOKS F GEORGIA**	2-01	305D	2X	20930M	4.1%	856	3.2%	663P	23860	976	756
COZY NOOK FARM - WAUKESHA WI **PINE RIDGE PERFECT LEAH-ET**	3-05	297D	2X	21240M	5.0%	1056	3.6%	758P	23812	1131	812
SKAAR CHRIS W & SONS - HAYWARD MN **CRESTHILL FAYETTE LEEANNA**	4-04	305D	2X	22650M	4.6%	1037	3.7%	841P	23783	1078	875
SEAGER VIRGINIA EST - PRATTSBURG NY **LINDENHOF SIMON GUMDROP**	3-04	305D	2X	22210M	4.6%	1013	3.3%	722P	23765	1043	744
LINDE AXEL & WIDMANN MILDRED E - KIRKWOOD **MT ARARAT MAGIC ILENE**	3-04	302D	2X	20990M	5.0%	1043	3.4%	712P	23744	1159	791
BUCK GABRIELLE B - PORT DEPOSIT MD **PR-LANTZ FARM HOMERUN BLYTH**	3-05	305D	2X	20640M	5.0%	1035	3.7%	754P	23736	1159	844
LANTZ JON A - ELLSWORTH WI **IDLE NEER MAGIC TALLY**	3-09	305D	2X	23500M	3.4%	797	3.1%	729P	23735	781	714
SYWASSINK DONALD - LETTS IA **LONE ACRES Y VIXIE**	3-02	305D	2X	20450M	4.1%	838	3.8%	781P	23722	947	883
KIPP FREDERICK F - NORTH PRAIRIE WI **KOWSKI STAR PAPRIKA**	5-08	305D	2X	22360M	4.2%	946	3.5%	778P	23702	1003	825
KUKOWSKI ROGER - OSCEOLA WI **WILLOWS JASPER DIANNA**	4-03	305D	2X	24160M	4.2%	1023	3.4%	813P	23677	1013	805
BUCK GABRIELLE B - PORT DEPOSIT MD **SPRING WALK GINGERS JAMIE-ET**	4-02	305D	2X	21890M	4.9%	1068	3.3%	729P	23641	1143	780
WACHTEL FLOYD & FAMILY - BIG PRAIRIE OH **LAMBRECHT SMOKEY LORI-TWIN**	4-10	305D	2X	22920M	4.1%	950	3.6%	822P	23608	969	838
JERRY LAMBRECHT - BEDFORD, IN **SMITHFIELD VELOUR VIBRANT**	2-02	305D	2X	18880M	3.6%	682	3.1%	585P	23600	832	714
COON BROS - AMENIA NY **HOLCOMBS BM DUSK**	3-07	305D	2X	22670M	4.6%	1033	3.8%	860P	23577	1064	886
HOLCOMB DONALD - GREENE NY **SC SUNNY DAY PERFECTO YAP-ET**	3-03	305D	2X	21780M	4.1%	897	3.7%	804P	23522	960	860
LUTZ HERBY D - CHESTER SC **NELLS GLOW MAGIC TARYN**	2-02	305D	2X	20260M	4.3%	875	3.4%	688P	23502	998	784
NELSON KATE H - HILMAR CA **LINDENHOF MERCURY GLORIA**	5-02	305D	2X	24450M	4.6%	1119	3.6%	884P	23472	1074	849
LINDE AXEL & WIDMANN MILDRED E - KIRKWOOD **INGLENOOK FRANKS VAL-TWIN**	3-01	303D	2X	20230M	5.3%	1064	3.7%	751P	23467	1192	841
IVERSON META LEE - HAYWARD MN **SHAMROCKS MAGIC SASCHA**	2-01	305D	2X	18750M	3.6%	674	2.8%	529P	23438	816	640
SHAMROCK FARMS COMPANY - HIGLEY AZ **CLOVER GLEN MAGIC ADA**	3-07	305D	2X	22520M	4.6%	1043	3.6%	812P	23421	1053	820
JOHNSON GLENN E+MCDERMOTT DEBRA J - CLAREM **WESTLYNN TOM DEE**	7-09	305D	2X	21860M	4.8%	1053	3.5%	765P	23390	1137	826
RUETH MARK+KORTUS R+VILTER C & J - JEFFERS **PECKS FRANK NADIA KRYSTAL**	4-03	305D	2X	21420M	4.5%	965	3.5%	740P	23348	1042	799
BOESCHE KATIE - DEKALB IL **UP THE CREEK MAGICS SHELBY**	3-05	305D	2X	20280M	4.3%	873	3.4%	698P	23322	978	782
ANDERSON DAVID L - LESTER PRAIRIE MN **MYOWN FRANK FRANCINE**	4-08	305D	2X	24280M	4.3%	1034	3.4%	820P	23309	993	787
ERDMAN MYRON & MARK - CHENOA IL **LINDENHOF PERFECTO TANNENBAUM**	3-11	305D	2X	23300M	4.1%	951	3.2%	736P	23300	932	721
LINDE AXEL J - KIRKWOOD PA **MISS KNOB VIEW NACHO BIONIC**	2-11	302D	2X	20970M	4.0%	845	3.3%	693P	23298	922	756
WATSON EDWIN R - HEMLOCK MI **GR-KNAPPS PLAYBOY HATTIE**	5-08	305D	2X	23290M	3.8%	879	3.4%	781P	23290	897	797
KNAPP D RANDY - EPWORTH IA **BLA ARL PENNYS MAGIC PREPPY-ET**	2-07	305D	2X	19730M	3.4%	669	3.3%	660P	23281	769	759
CROSSER MANDY L & MARODORE FARM - BALTIMOR **SC SUNNY DAY MAGIC YES MAAM**	3-06	305D	2X	22600M	4.6%	1042	3.2%	731P	23278	1042	731
LUTZ HERBY D - CHESTER SC											

Things Are Looking Good!

With spring here and summer right around the corner, things are looking good. Our last rolling herd average was 20,446M 982F 708P on 38 cows.

We would like to wish David Langel of Wisconsin the best of luck with Mt. Ararat Sharp Image. David purchased "Image" at the Kentucky National/ World Guernsey Conference Sale.

We would like to thank the international visitors for their time spent with us during the pre-conference tour. The weather does get better! Also, thanks to the AGA for including Mt. Ararat Farm on the tours.

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A Final Farewell

Sara Dueringer

It was a real pleasure to be a part of the National Guernsey Convention and the 9th World Guernsey Conference. I would like to begin by extending a big thank you to Kentucky for hosting this year's convention. They spent a lot of time coordinating the events of the week, and we certainly appreciate all of their efforts. I would like to thank the American Guernsey Association for providing youth activities, such as the queen contest. This has been a year full of opportunities for me. I have had the chance to meet many people from all over the country who were always very welcoming wherever I went. I'd like to thank the California Association for giving me the opportunity to visit Sacramento for the Western National. I'd like to give a special thanks to Laurie Askew, Linda Madsen and the Nelsons for making sure I got where I was supposed to be. Now to my home state of Illinois, Association has always supported me and encouraged me to do my best. Last summer, in LaCrosse, I had the best cheering section anyone could ask for. I'd like to especially thank Becky, Charlie, Brian and Cory for their encouragement. I'd also like to say thank you to Mary and Larry Mohr and the state association for the opportunity to represent Illinois. Last, but not least, to my parents, these two people have not just been my parents, but also my chaperones, escorts, chauffeurs and have been known as a bank from time to time. I'm so glad I have been able to share my experiences of the last couple of years with them. And to all those other special people I regrettably could not mention because it would simply take too long. So I will simply say - thank you.

I have left one special group till last - Guernsey youth. I'd like to congratulate each of you on your achievements and success. I also set before you a challenge. I realize that all of you have set goals for yourself and work hard to achieve those goals. Buy why? Why have you worked so hard? Who inspired you? Who are your heros? Everyone needs a hero from time to time. Was it your parents, teachers or peers? I have been influenced by many people in my life. Two special people come to mind when I think of the National Queen Contest. Both of these Guernsey girls were from Illinois and both held a national title. These are names some of you will remember - Angie Mohr, a National Queen in the early 80's and Melissa Mohr, the National Princess in 1986. For years at state fair, I followed them everywhere. I looked up to both of them very much and I still do. When I was a little girl, Angie and Melissa were my heros and I wanted to be just like them. I've kept that with me ever since.

Even though I had great role models, so much had to come from within myself. This year has been so wonderful for me. I've met so many caring people who have been willing to do anything they could to help me. And, like my dad always says, "You have to take your good time with you." So I was always sure to pack that first, wherever I went. And I always had the best time because it came from inside myself. The point I've been trying to get to is that it doesn't matter who you are, where you're from or how many people you know, if you have confidence in yourself and believe in the goals you've set for yourself, then you can do anything! So I encourage and challenge each and every young person to dream with all your might.

I challenge you all to find the hero inside yourself. I wish you all the best of luck, success and happiness. Thank you all so much for making this last year one I will never forget.

God bless you all and thank you!
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A drawing on a beautiful one-of-a-kind Guernsey quilt was held during the Kentucky National/World Guernsey Conference Sale on March 30, 1998. The lucky winner of this quilt was Kathlin Jenkins of England. Kathlin is an employee of The English Guernsey Cattle Society. The quilt was sponsored by the Kentucky Guernsey Breeders' Association. A big thanks goes out to the two talented people responsible for the quilt, Anne Haussmann of Leasy, Missouri, and Jan Kessler of Independence, Missouri, for their time and effort.

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cows in their herd. They concentrate only on improving production traits when making mating decisions in their herd.

This award is sponsored by the New York Guernsey Breeders' Association.

Young Sire Production Recognition Program

In 1995, the four regional AGA young sire proving groups joined forces to sponsor a program that recognizes outstanding production in cows that are the result of a young sire mating. The award is based on the cow's official USDA yield deviation for milk and protein. This year the award was renamed in honor of Max Dawdy. This award will now be known as the Max Dawdy Young Sire Award.

First for milk is Smithfield Velour Vibrant. A Longmedo Pender Velour daughter, "Vibrant" is bred and owned by Coon Bros. Dairy of Amenia, New York. Scored Very Good-85 at 3-06, she completed her 2-02 record in 305 days of 18,880M 682F 585P. This gives her a winning yield deviation of +5758M. Her dam is a Victory daughter.

Second for milk and first for protein is Nedrow Farms Coopers Loop, bred and owned by Nedrow Farms of Clifton Springs, New York. She is an 85-point daughter of Yellow Creek M Cooper. She completed her 305 day record, beginning at 2-02 of 18,370M 788F 641P. Her dam is a Perfecto daughter. "Loop" is ranked number 219 on the February CPI list.

Third for milk and protein is Toolite Mistys T Micky, bred and owned by Richard Tooley of Granville, New York, a Spring Walk Karis Trumpet daughter. Her dam is a Very Good-86 Vailland Telestar Astro daughter. Her yield deviations are +5324M +240F +183P.

Second for protein is Fair Oaks Flints Betty. A 78-point daughter of Nells Glow Perfecto Flint, she has a record of 16,660M 781F 558P at 2-01 in 305 days. Her yield deviations are +5251M +217F +181P. She is out of a Volcano dam and ranks number 82 on the February 1998 CPI list.

Meeting Adjourned

After a motion had been made and seconded, the 121st Annual Meeting of the AGA was adjourned.

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As you probably know by now, I submitted my resignation from the executive secretary-treasurer position in December. I will remain in this position until June 1. I have been honored to have served you in this position and will leave with many happy memories. I am returning to the farm as a hired man for Jens Gold Farms which is owned by my two brothers and sister-in-law. You could view this move as a promotion; you have been my boss and now, I'll be working beside you.

I realize that the Guernsey cow and breed has big challenges before us. However, I am excited about her future and believe she can compete successfully in today's dairy industry. I challenge everyone here to take a constructive look at all the information and theories shared with you at this conference. Accept and make the changes needed to make you successful. Apply ideas and participate in programs. The future is waiting for us to grasp it.

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- *Functional herdlife index update.*
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June 19 - Final advertising deadline for the August 1998 Central States Issue of the *Guernsey Breeders' Journal.*

MEETINGS

June 6 - Louisiana Field Day, Ridge Guernsey Farm, The Carl Ridgedell Family, Loranger, LA

June 28 - Minnesota Guernsey Breeders' Association Annual Picnic, Browerville, MN

SHOWS

August 21 - Missouri State Fair, Sedalia, MO, Judge David Jones

August 27 - September 7 - Minnesota State Fair, St. Paul, MN

September 23 - National Guernsey Show & National Junior Show, Harrisburg, PA

September 30 - National Guernsey Show & National Junior Show, Madison, WI

October 6 - Dixie Classic Fair, Winston Salem, NC

October 13 - Alabama National Fair, Montgomery, AL, Judge Fowler Branstetter

October 23 - North Carolina State Fair Open Show, Judge Scott Bentley

October 25 - North Carolina State Fair Junior Show, Judge Richard Wright

SALES

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September 5 - Howerton Production Sale, Buffalo, MO

September 30 - International Guernsey Classic, Madison, WI

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And The Winner Is . . .

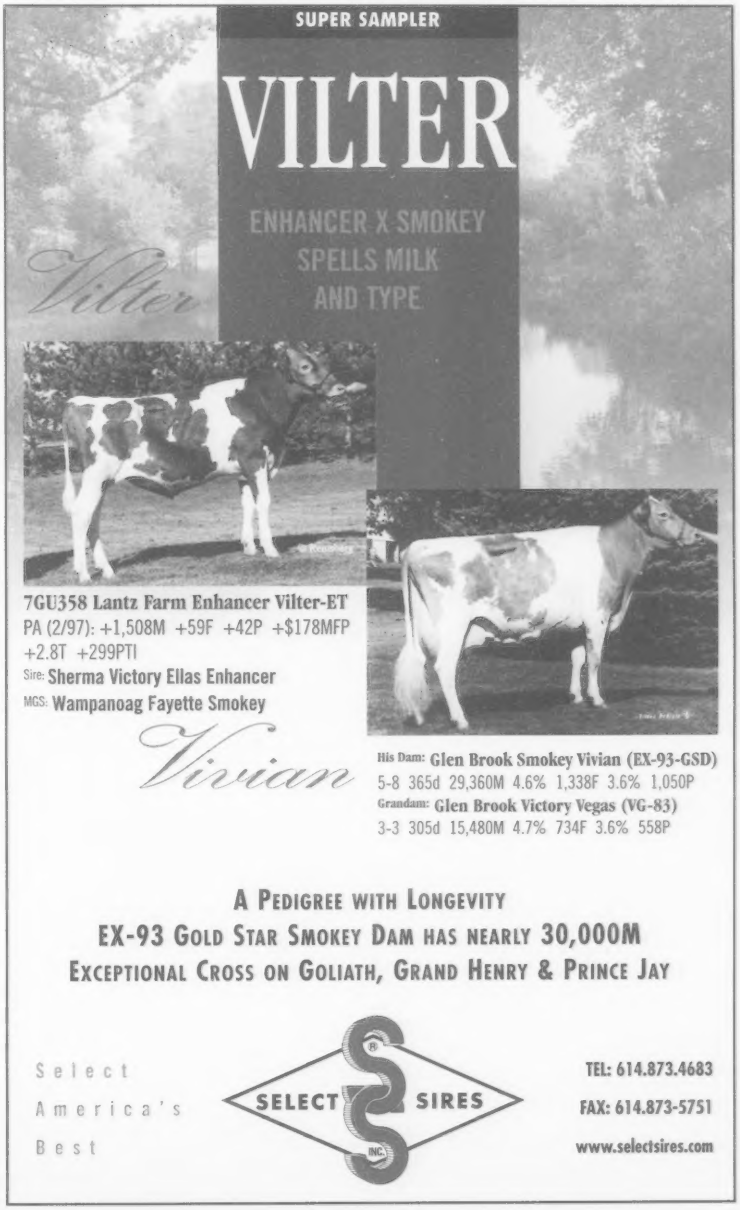
State delegate Mary Pearl Compton of West Virginia was the lucky winner of the third consecutive Guernsey Calf Raffle sponsored by the National Guernsey Youth Committee.

This committee offered Mary Pearl Compton a high-pedigreed calf or $500 cash. The choice was $500 cash.

The calf, Boehles Bossman Raffle, bred by James and Nancy Sack of Baldwin City, Kansas, was then sold through the Kentucky National/World Guernsey Sale. "Raffle", a December 1997 Marfred Bossman-ET daughter, sold for $1,600, to junior Guernsey breeder, R. Tony Fulton III of California.

The net profit for the raffle was $2,217.50. This money will go towards sponsoring the Guernsey youth scholarship, programs and awards. Thank you to all raffle ticket buyers. Congratulations to all the Guernsey youth who sold tickets.

Through the support given to these fundraisers, the programs that guide and educate our Guernsey youth can continue. Anyone interested in donating a calf for the 1999 raffle should contact the AGA office at (614) 864-2409.



Together Everyone Achieves More

The highest total ever, over $4,300, was raised for the youth at the National Youth Fun Auction held during the Youth Banquet at the National Guernsey Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

The #2 Eustis Cow, donated by Jim Cavanaugh of Columbus, Ohio, was the "hot" item that everyone wanted to get their hands on. Todd Moore of Plano, Texas, outbid all of the other contenders with a bid of $1,100 to be the owner of this beautiful Guernsey cow replica.

An ideal registered Guernsey cow sign, consigned by the Max Dawdy Family, was the second high-selling item at $325. When the gavel tapped for the final time, Eileen O'Malley of Gilman, Wisconsin, had placed the winning bid.

Seth Spencer of Gresham, Oregon, showed his support for Guernsey youth by bidding $300 for a Quail Roost print of a Guernsey cow and bull. The print was donated by the Max Dawdy Family.

"Bessie", the brown cow Beanie Baby donated by Gary and Nancy Mithoefer of Silver Lake, Indiana, was the fourth high-selling item at this year's fun auction for $220. "Bessie" was purchased by Bev Wachtel of Big Prairie, Ohio.

Rounding out the top five items to receive the highest bids was a Guernsey watercolor poem donated by John and Bonnie Ayars and Family of Mechanicsburg, Ohio. The poem was purchased by Doug Sims of Thornwell Home in Clinton, South Carolina, for $200.

It is easy to see that the AGA Youth Auction was one of the best ever.

From all the youth around the nation — Thank You!

This money will be reinvested into the industry's future through a Guernsey youth scholarship and existing youth programs.

Thank you to the following individuals who helped make the auction a success!

Buyers

Barb DeGroote, JoAnn Berryman, Dave Cochard, Bill Luff, Seth Spencer, Eileen O'Malley, Fowler Branstetter, Todd Moore, Donna Anderson, John Madsen, John and Bonnie Ayars, Clark and Joy Vilter, Don and Dorothy Peterson, Dave Trotter, Arnold Kessler, Stephen Terhune, Dennis Nelson, Audrey Wagner, John Kessler, Bev Wachtel, Clayton Smith, Thornwell Home, Dawn Fyrciak, Ralph Turley, Sandy Terhune, Rich and Barb Schomburg and Faye Long.

Consignors

Jim Cavanaugh, The Max Dawdy Family, The English Guernsey Society, George Fyrciak and Family, Lavon Farms, Oak Knob Guernseys, John and Bonnie Ayars and Sons, Clark and Joy Vilter, Cletus and Janice Frey, Crafts by Jarrett, Kentucky GBA, McDowell Farms, J & S Promotions, Butterpatch Guernseys and BDA Guernseys, New York GBA in memory of Henry Venier, Pennsylvania GBA, John and Patty McMurray and Family, Gary and Nancy Mithoefer, Illinois GBA, Karodale Farms, Littlefield Farms, California GBA, Chris Skaar, World Dairy Expo and Leon Zweegman.

GREAT PEOPLE MAKE SUCCESS

Thank you to all the great Guernsey breeders and enthusiasts from across the United States and around the world who took part in the Kentucky National/ World Guernsey Conference Sale that averaged $2,360 on 52 lots.

TOPPING THE SALE AT $10,400

Four Winds Fayette Dee-ET

From left to right: Seth Johnson, GMS; Jim Trotter, PA GBA Business Manager; Lois Peckman, Buyer; David Smith, Pedigree Reader; Gary Estes, Auctioneer; "Dee", Aaron Lancaster, Consignor; Kenny Deavers; Joy and Clark Vilter, Contenders.

Thank you to all the consignors of these top-quality Guernsey cattle: Lavon Farms, TX; Madison Lancaster, WA; Clark and Joy Vilter, WI; Nichlas Stewart, MO; Austin and Lucas Ayars, OH; Kenneth Winke and Family, IA; Jay Lancaster, WA; Aaron Lancaster, WA; Ronald Wenger, IN; Michael Smith, KY; Bill Wachtel and Family, OH; Oscar Clay Smith, MD; Jennifer Belton, TN; Jeff Canniff, NY; Rozelyn Farm, WA; JoJo Miller Fulton, CA; Wilsonview Dairy, OR; Foremost Guernsey Farm, MO; Ernest Berousek, OK; Carrie Wylie, NC; Gary Braswell, NC; Stephen Stewart, MO; Makayla Lancaster, WA; Arrow Head Guernseys, MO; Audrey Wagner, IL; James and Nancy Sack, KS; Marfred Farms, SC; Patty Holbert, KY; David Cross, MN; Robert Baker and Freeman Brundige, KY; Mt. Ararat Farms, MD; Dale and Lyle Jensen, WI; Jacob and Evelyn Roedl, IL; Lush Acres Farm, SC; Up The Creek Farm, MN; Paul and Rebecca Oliver, KY; Carol Boesche, IL; Steve Sywassink, IA; Stephen Terhune, KY; Mozier Farm, KS; Eric Heischmidt, IL; Amber and Bart Branstetter, KY; Carlissa Ransom, KY; SS Grandview, MO; and Brooke Reinagel, FL.

Thank you to all of the buyers who believe in these great Guernsey cattle: Spring Walk Farm, OH; Mervin Peckman, PA; Thomas Ripley, NY; Richard Whalen, NY; Leroy Lindly, OH; Myron and Mark Erdman, IL; Renee and Ashley Bridges, NC; Colby O'Malley, WI; Sheilee O'Malley, WI; C.D. Lott, AL; Kevin and Linda Cornett, KY; Donna Anderson, MN; Audrey Wagner, IL; R. Tony Fulton III, CA; Zach Heischmidt, IL; Lance Zweegman, WA; Wesley Carter, SC; Austin Mills, SC; Paul Ewing, OH; Stuart Berryman and David Crowshaw, KY; Gordon and Martha Huckins, NH; Kali Syndicate, MN; Motivation Manor, WI; Kenneth Vogt, MI; Greg Kessler, CA; Nola Syndicate, NY; David Langel, WI; Wilsonview Dairy, OR; Brad Kessler, CA; Dennis Nelson, CA; Jens Gold Farm, WI; Lavon Farms, TX; Nathan Wible, IN; Neil and Janice Jensen, OH; Steve Terhune, KY; Dan Brubaker, VA; Paul Nicely and Family, IN; Chad Winke, IA; Kenneth Peake, CA; Lush Acres Dairy, SC; Becky Meyer, IL; OCS Dairy, MD; Darlene Moser, MD; and Don SyWassink, IA.

A special thank you to our international buyers: Artur Pinho, Brazil; Warren Gibson, South Australia; Gilbert Cleggett, South Australia; Jon Ramsey, Canada; Max Trigg, Australia; Ken Forster and Family, Canada; Terry Becket, Canada

UPCOMING GMS SALES TO WATCH FOR:

May 16 — Ozark Jubilee Sale, MO
May 25 — Lebanon Valley Farms Dispersal, PA
September 5 — Howerton Farms Production Sale, MO
September 30 — International Guernsey Classic, WI

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The Trotacre Crew Says Thank You!

The Trotacre Crew and "Lewis"

"Lewis" was syndicated at the Genetic Explosion Sale in Louisville, Kentucky. He was purchased by Select Sires and the Lewis Syndicate for $9,000.

Special thanks to Blaine Crosser and Select Sires for their interest in "Lewis".

We extend our sincere appreciation to the 46 buyers from 21 states and Canada who purchased a share of "Lewis".

Tom and Jennifer Lawrence, MD; Kenneth and Keith Boese, MN; Marodore Farm, OH; Terry Wheeler, NY; Ernest Pyle, PA; Bryan Wolfe, OH; Snider Homestead Farm, PA; Tom Walker, PA; Darren Hann, OH; Charles Bridges, NC; Cline Brubaker, VA; Bob and Diane Miller, MD; Troy Hill, PA; Nancy Sack, KS; Walter Kelly, WV; Earl Kegley, WA; Idle Neer Farm, IA; Eric Poole, PA; Andrew Ebersole, PA; Todd Kilchenmann, OH; Kevin Collette, TN; Jens Gold Farm, WI; John Morrow, PA; Roger Garber, PA; Steve Mills, SC; John Schnebly, MD; John Myers, MD; John Richardson, OH; Mark Suttle, OH; Bill Hayes, OH; Chupp Farm, OK; Don Peterson, WI; Seth Spencer, OR; Jim Moser, PA; Mark Pifer, PA; Wilsonview Dairy, OR; Lavon Farms, TX; Lee Riggs, IN; Martha Graff, IA; Eldon Moss, IA; John Ayars, OH; Truman Weaver, IN; Jon Lantz, WI; Rozelyn Farm, WA; Pat Mar Ranch, CA; OCS Dairy, MD; Tom Smith, KY; and Ken Forster, Canada.

Thank you to Seth Johnson of Guernsey Marketing Service for his help in syndicating "Lewis".

We would like to wish Neil Jensen and his family the best of luck as they head to Wisconsin to start farming full-time. We thank you Neil for all your help and the time you spent with the association.

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